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Kowloon	...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.32	4.35	5.29	7.21
Yaumati	...Dep.	6.50	—	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	2.31	4.44	5.38	7.30
Shatin	...Dep.	7.02	—	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	1.43	4.56	5.51	7.42
Taipo	...Dep.	7.16	—	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	1.56	5.09	6.04	7.55
Taipo Market	Dep.	7.21	—	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	3.00	5.13	6.08	7.59
Fanling	...Dep.	7.32	—	—	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	3.11	5.24	6.19	8.09
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.36	—	9.07	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	3.15	5.28	6.23	8.13
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	8.45	9.13	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	3.21	5.34	6.29	8.19
Canton	Arr.	—	12.20	—	5.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Canton	...Dep.	—	—	—	—	—	5.45	—	—	—	—	3.00
Shumchun	...Dep.	7.19	8.06	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	5.20	5.40	6.08	6.40
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.26	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	5.27	5.47	6.15	—
Fanling	...Dep.	7.31	8.17	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	—	5.51	6.19	—
Taipo Market	Dep.	7.41	8.27	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	—	6.01	6.29	—
Taipo	...Dep.	7.45	8.32	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	—	6.05	6.33	—
Shatin	...Dep.	7.58	8.45	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	—	6.18	6.46	—
Yaumati	...Dep.	8.12	8.57	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	—	6.30	6.58	—
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Shatankok	...	...	8.40	12.25	3.15	4.15	7.20

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Shatankok	...	...	6.30	10.15	1.06	2.05	5.00	5.15
Fanling	...	...	7.25	11.10	2.00	3.00	5.55	6.10

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AMBROSE McEVOY, A.R.A.

AN APPRECIATION BY A FORMER PUPIL.

LOSS TO BRITISH ART.

The sad death of Ambrose McEvoy, at the age of 48, is a great loss to the art world and a very real sorrow to all who knew him.

His personality was as charming as the fragile beauties he painted. When I knew him as a professor at the Slade School, his shy, almost timid manner, his curious unbroken voice, the hesitating gestures of his hands all pointed to the dreamer and recluse rather than to the fashionable portrait painter. But when his long fingers, more those of a musician than a painter, curled round one's pencil or brush, and his voice rose from a husky whisper to the shrill tones of a boy, one forgot all that in the extraordinary fire of enthusiasm and inspiration which poured from him. Suddenly, he would blush and hurry away, leaving one as if flushed with victory—confident that there was nothing one could not perform.

Then the war called him and London knew him no more till he reappeared as the painter of lovely ladies and their as lovely children. The transparency and luminosity of his colour, and the ethereal beauty which he gave to his sitters singled him out at once from the common run of portrait painters. This was in part the expression of his own personality, and in part a trick of posing. His portraits were many of them painted in a white tiled studio—a converted bathroom—electric lights were hung behind the heads and outflung hands of his sitters, and gave an effect of spirituality to the flesh tones.

One of his latest portraits is of Princess Mary's son, the Hon. George Hubert Lascelles. You see at a glance the striking resemblance to his mother. Here is an English child standing in a simple natural pose, looking with wondering eyes at the world. But it is more than a child portrait; McEvoy has expressed royalty: its burden and its pride.

The picture of his which I most liked was a portrait of his mother painted before the war and before he had perfected his style. It was remarkable for its beauty of paint, but more as an expression of motherhood, of the love between her and her son.

It used to be said at the "Slade" that McEvoy painted oils with his handkerchief and water colours with a sponge, because of the lovely fluid quality which he always got into his paint. Rather, he knew superbly well how on a pale monochrome to lay those touches of tender contrasting colour, which modelled his forms.

E. M. B.

SURGEON DIES IN WORK-HOUSE.

FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

Dr. Robert George Style, one of the most popular doctors among the poor of Bethnal Green for nearly half a century, and stated to have had an income which was often not less than £2,000 a year, died practically penniless in the Bethnal Green poor law hospital last month.

Dr. Style, who was 72, had been chairman of the Bethnal Green Guardians, who control the institution in which he died.

Dr. Style, in his early career at Bethnal Green, had a large residence and surgery in Cambridge-road and a carriage and pair.

The poor of Bethnal Green called him the "Gentleman-Doctor," as he would never ask for a fee if he knew that the payment would mean short rations at home.

One of his lifelong friends told a Press representative that the doctor had a such a generous disposition that he could not see his patients in want, and his one failure was that he was too kind-hearted and he was also one of the few doctors who refused to go on the panel roll.

He was a member of the Bethnal Green Board of Guardians for fifteen years, and was at one time chairman. For many years he was surgeon to the Royal Maternity Society and the Queen Adelaide Dispensary. He was a specialist in several diseases.

He was admitted to the Bethnal Green Hospital about a year ago in consequence of a paralytic stroke, and his widow who survives him is a patient in the same institution.

His only son died in Egypt on war service.

THE NORTHCLIFFE WILL CASE.

ABRUPT CONCLUSION.

HUGE LEGAL EXPENSES.

The lawsuit over the Northcliffe millions came to an abrupt end in the Chancery Division yesterday, says a copy to hand of the *Daily Chronicle* of December 11th.

Miss Louise Owen, the plaintiff, announced that she withdrew all her charges against Lord Rothermere, Sir George Sutton and the other defendants in the lawsuit.

She consented to judgment being given against her, with costs.

A rough estimate would place the costs at about £20,000 (writes a legal correspondent), but it is not expected that some of the defendants will press for their costs.

Ten K.C.'s.

Ten K.C.'s were engaged in the action, two on behalf of Miss Owen, seven for the various defendants, and the Solicitor-General, representing certain charities.

The "silks" included two ex-Attorneys-General, and it is customary for ex-law officers to claim higher fees.

It is probable that the briefs of the leading counsel for Miss Owen and those of Sir John Simon and Sir Patrick Hastings were marked at 1,000 guineas, with likely "refreshers" of 100 guineas per day for seven days.

While it is usually found that the briefs of leaders are marked at figures approximating to each other, the fees of second leaders are two-thirds of the first leader, and junior counsel receive two-thirds of leaders, both as to the briefs and refreshers.

Many Months' Work.

In this case there were seven junior counsel for the parties, and one for the Crown; but the Crown fees would be well below those of the parties.

In addition, there are the costs of numerous interlocutory proceedings, running over many months, the court fees of attending solicitors, the expenses of shorthand writers and printers, and various other incidental items.

GIRL IN CHAINS.

SINGAPORE DETECTIVES' DISCOVERY.

Two Chinese women, Chuy Sien Loh and Ting Yuk Ying and a Chinese male, Li Poh Chin, faced a charge recent, in the District Court, Singapore, before Mr. P. A. F. David, of wrongful confinement in respect of a Chinese girl, Ai Siang.

The D.P.P., Mr. N. H. P. Whitley, prosecuted and Mr. Braddell appeared for the defence.

In evidence, Mr. W. G. Stirling, Assistant Protector of Chinese, said that he received information concerning two Chinese women, in a house in Alexandra Road. He sent two interpreters to the house, who later returned with one of the women. They were unable to bring the other on account of hostility shown towards them.

The following day he visited the house with Mr. Ingham, and found one woman, two children and two males.

Barred the Way.

Replying to Mr. Braddell witness said that he saw some padlocks there, but did not bring them away.

Describing the first visit to the house, Tan Poh Ghee, assistant interpreter at the Protectorate, said that when he approached the accused, Chuy Sien Loh, she stood in the doorway obstructing his passage. He showed her the warrant, but they had to force their way in.

He called for the girls by name, and finally received an answer from a back room. He went to the room and saw Ai Siang squatting on the floor with a chain round her ankles. As he entered another girl was unlocking the padlock.

He took the girl and the chain away.

After similar evidence had been given by another interpreter, the case was postponed to January 10th.

PEER AND HIS "DEATH."

LORD METHUEN'S APPRECIATION OF OBITUARY.

Field-Marshal Lord Methuen has joined the company of distinguished men who have read their own obituary notices.

He has received a South African paper announcing his death and containing a long obituary notice praising his work. Lord Methuen has written to the editor expressing his appreciation of the panegyric.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., leaves for Home on *Malwa*.

Presentation of Prizes, Kowloon Dock Bowling Green, 3 p.m.

Yachting: 7th Championship race for racing yachts.

Golf: Captain's Cup.

Fanling Hunt Meet, Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m.

Football: Annual Charity Match between Army and Navy (Army ground Sookumpoo), 4 p.m. Division I.: South China *v.* Chinese Athletic, Royal Artillery *v.* Recreio, Club *v. Tamar*, Kowloon *v.* Police, Division II. "A," South China *v.* K.O.S.B.'s; St. Joseph's *v.* Royal Artillery, Club *v.* Kowloon, Chinese Athletic *v.* Recreio; Chinese Athletic "B" *v.* University; Division II. "B," Bank *v.* Moslem; St. Joseph's *v.* Chinese Athletic "B"; South China *v.* Boy Scouts, Kowloon *v.* Chinese Athletic "A."

Cricket:—Division I., Craigengower *v.* University (L); Royal Navy *v.* Royal Artillery (L); Kowloon *v.* Hong Kong C.C. (L); Chinese R.C. *v.* Indian R.C. (L); Division II., Hong Kong C.C. *v.* Kowloon (L.); Civil Service *v.* Recreio (L); Indian R.C. *v.* Royal Navy (L); Police *v.* University (F).

Old Cheltonians' dinner, Hong Kong Club.

Boxing: 4th tournament, H.K. Boxing Association, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Queen Theatre: "Sparrows."

World Theatre: "The Everlasting Whisper."

Star Theatre: "Feet of Clay."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia (*Taiping*). Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*Malwa*), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

Yachting: Naval Day at R.H.K. Yacht Club.

Fanling Hunt Meet, Potts' Bungalow.

Golf: Captain's Cup; Junior Championship (qualifying round).

Cricket: Indian R.C. *v.* Volunteers, at Sookumpoo, 2 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Way of a Girl."

Monday.

Extraordinary general meeting Peak Tramways, Limited, H.K. Hotel, 11 a.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Yachting: Ladies' 6th Championship race.

H.M.S. *Hawkins* Concert Party at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Way of a Girl."

Tuesday.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Annual Congregation at H.K. University, 5 p.m. (tea 4 p.m.)

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Cymdeithas Dewi Sant (St. David's Society) "At Home" City Hall, 5.30—7.30 p.m.

H.M.S. *Hawkins* concert party at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*Aeneas*), 2.30 p.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., Europe *viâ* Victoria and *viâ* Siberia (*President Grant*), 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

Football: Interport practice, H.K.F.C. ground, 4.15 p.m.

Hockey:—Sim Shield Competition: Army *v.* Club, U.S.R.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel, tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Male Voice Choir concert, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 9 p.m.

H.M.S. *Hawkins* concert party at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Thursday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (*Empress of Russia*). Outward: Australia, New Zealand, etc. (*Taiping*), 5 p.m.

Friday.

St. Paul's Girls' School Bazaar, China Building.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting St. David's Society, Hong Kong (Cymdeithas Dewi Sant), Mr. D. J. Lewis' office (Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) Prince's Building, 5.30 p.m.

To Secretaries.

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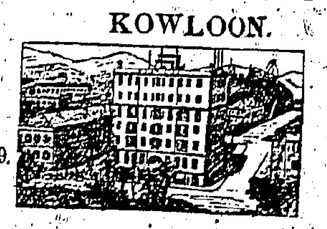
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GREAT F.M.S. FLOODS.

CESSATION OF TAPPING AND MINING.

ENORMOUS DAMAGE.

All trains to and from Ipoh were suspended on December 29th, also the mail services.

The water was still rising at 10.30 a.m. that day but after exceeding December 23rd record level by one foot; at four o'clock began slowly to subside.

A thick pall of mist came on about this time giving a gloomy outlook though news at the end of the day reports an easing off of water all over the district.

All European offices without exception could not be approached to-day and business was completely at a standstill.

As a result of the prolonged floods in all parts of Perak there has been a cessation of tapping for the whole week, whilst nearly every mine in Kinta and Kampar is flooded and will be unable to resume production for many days more.

Meanwhile train service to the south is suspended.

Last night the line was flooded or breached at numerous places from Tanjong Rambutan to Batu Gajah.

No night mails are likely to be run for some days but one day train is running between Ipoh and Penang to-day.

Conditions in Kuala Lumpur.

Kuala Lumpur was visited by a great flood on the night of the 27th, lasting over 24 hours.

Rain started on the 25th and continued without a break for over 60 hours.

The river began to rise on Christmas morning and subsided the next day for a short time, but began rising again on Monday until, by nightfall, almost the whole town was inundated.

Opposite the Post Office, the water was a good deal over five feet in depth and the whole business centre was affected. As a result, not a single office opened yesterday. By evening, the water began to subside and next morning only a few lowlying parts were affected. All communication between Kuala Lumpur and the outside world was held up.

This flood is stated to be a record, even beating last year's inundation.

Loss of Life.

It is still impossible to say the extent of loss in lives and property, but this is believed to be very great.

Large numbers of poor houses situated in the lowlying parts are washed away.

One sad tragedy is reported. Chew Jim Guan, the well-known Selangor footballer, was swimming near Travers Road when he was suddenly carried away by the current and seen no more.

Most of the business houses and the Post and Government offices were several feet under water on the 28th. The damage to property is enormous.

A later report in the *Singapore Free Press* states:

With every desire to take a sober view of the Perak floods the facts now revealing themselves as isolated places are freed after the week's silence are truly appalling.

"At Kuala Kangsar, an appalling flood occurred for two days washing away the market and some shophouses, and several small houses of Malays gently cleansweeping the Malay Kampong of houses for many square miles. The extent whereof is indicated by the fact that the river rose 40ft.

The only place available to house practically the whole town population was the Land Office at the top of the hill, but thousands are homeless.

The whole of the resources of Taiping went to the rescue including the Burma Rifles, bringing there hundreds of people.

The Sultan of Perak personally led the officials to the rescue work, performing many feats of gallantry in saving lives on Wednesday and Thursday (December 29th and 30th) and risking his life many times.

Corpses were held up at the Perak Railway bridge and children floated in boxes. Houses were bodily carried away.

This is only part of the tale hitherto received by *The Times* of Malaya whose reporter travelled thence on December 28th. He proceeded to Taiping and phoning late to-day that the damage at Kuala Kangsar was unestimable.

News from Bukit Fraser says that two bungalows collapsed owing to the flooding.

AMBI-DEXTERITY.

SIR R. BADEN POWELL'S SUPPORT.

An English elementary school teacher, who teaches his pupils to use both hands, states that the children who are thus trained are more cheerful and better scholars than those who are right-handed. They are, he adds, superior in alertness and decision. The whole of the teaching goes on quicker and better with such children.

Sir Robert Baden-Powell has advocated the equal training of both hands for many years. The value of ambi-dexterity from the military point of view, he says, is most important. He regards no soldier as thoroughly trained who cannot mount his horse from either sides, use his weapons with either hand, and shoot as quickly and surely from the left shoulder as the right.

MEMOIRS AND PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS.

LORD BIRKENHEAD'S ATTACK.

LADY OXFORD, COL. HOUSE AND COL. REPINGTON.

Following the exposure of the "Whispering Gallery," the notorious book of faked reminiscences, Lord Birkenhead in the course of an interview with a *Daily Mail* representative raised the whole question of the publication of memoirs and reminiscences in which opinions expressed privately are published.

Lord Birkenhead said:

"The incident, however, raises a wider issue than the particular book involved. This is the whole question how far it is justifiable to include in volumes of reminiscences, real or imaginary, the alleged private conversations of public men."

"The fashion for memoirs of this kind, I imagine, was set by Colonel Repington's book, which, disregarding the rules of decent behaviour, purported to reproduce the private conversations of people whose actions were in many cases a subject of controversy," replied Lord Birkenhead.

"Lady Oxford's reminiscences carried on the precedent, although everybody realises that Lady Oxford, with her vivid pen and kindhearted nature, endeavoured faithfully to reproduce the opinions of those she mentioned. She cannot, however, be acquitted of some slight blame in that she gave her *cachet* to a practice so obviously liable to abuse.

"Colonel House carried the matter to extremes by hurrying home from private conferences—on the secrecy of which he himself insisted and at which he was the avowed representative of President Wilson—and by dictating to his secretary for later publication whatever he thought fit to recall, accurately or otherwise, of the remarks made in confidence by the statesmen with whom he had been closeted."

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Discussing the issues raised by the publication of "The Whispering Gallery," Lord Birkenhead said:

"Books of anonymous tittle-tattle are in a different category. As things are at present, any public man may find himself mentioned in a book of this nature, with remarks ascribed to him that are fantastically untrue. What is he to do? If he protests, the book receives an undesirable advertisement. If he is silent, his silence may be misinterpreted by ignorant people. It is much worse when the public man involved is dead and cannot defend himself.

"The fate of the 'Whispering Gallery' will, I hope, warn garbage-manufacturers and their publishers that they cannot with impunity slander the dead and insult the living."

"I am not, of course, attacking either the writing of books of contemporary biography or the practice of anonymity."

Asked whether he thought novelists were justified in introducing real persons into fiction, Lord Birkenhead said that this practice also seemed to him an objectionable one.

"When Mr. Arnold Bennett wrote a novel called 'Lord Raingo,' it was widely stated—and he did not contradict it—that the principal character was modelled on a member of the Coalition Government. In fact, the work was vulgarly advertised upon this basis.

"What right," asked Lord Birkenhead, "has Mr. Arnold Bennett, whose public services, as apart from his literary merits, are unlikely to be celebrated in song or story, to suggest that his imaginary puppet was modelled from an actual statesman?

"Mr. H. G. Wells has committed the same offence by a different but equally well-advertised method. He has recently expressed his opinion of living statesmen through the mouth of a Mr. Clissold and his equally voluble, tedious, and cocksure brother. Has Mr. Wells shown such capacity in public affairs as justifies him in assailing the statesmanship of men who have held responsible positions in the most anxious period of English history?"

SAVED BY FINGER-PRINT.

MAN NEARLY GOES TO GAOL FOR LIFE.

Finger-prints have sent many a man to prison, but finger-prints saved William Feit, a New York salesman, from a life sentence.

One Isaac Shapire was wanted for larceny, and the police arrested Feit on a ferry-boat, since he answered the description of Shapire.

Numerous witnesses identified him as Shapire. Now Shapire had been thrice sentenced for felony, and under the New York State law a man convicted of four felonies must be sentenced to prison for life.

Even Feit's lawyers were unable to place much credence in his protestations that he was not Shapire.

Feit was released on bail and was continually rearrested by policemen as Shapire.

Finally, in a last dramatic moment in court, when Feit was about to be sent to prison for life, a finger-print expert was called in. He identified Feit as Shapire, and then the finger-prints of the two men were laid before him.

To-day Feit is free, for he has a loop on the third finger, whereas Shapire had a whorl.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

JANUARY 7TH, 1927.

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Do., London	£115 nom.
Chartered Bank	£21 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A. & S.	£32 nom.
Do., C.	£13½ nom.
P. & O. Bank	£9½ buy.
East Asia Bank	$8¾ nom.
Canton Insurance	$840 buy.
China Underwriters	$1.45 nom.
North China Ins.	Tls. 145 nom.
Union Insurance	$290 sa.
Yangtsze Insurance	Mex. $45 nom.
China Fire Insurance	$200 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	$615 buy.
Douglases	$29 buy.
Steamboats	$26 sel., 25 sa.
Hong Kong Tugs	$1.10 nom.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$32 buy.
Do. (Def.)	$42 buy.
Shell Transports	92/- buy.
Star Ferries	$58 buy.
Waterboats	$15½ nom.
China Sugars	$22 sel., 21½ sa.
Malabon Sugars	$36 nom.
Benguets	$1.40 nom.
Kaolan Mining Ad.	38/- nom.
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Do. (single)	Tls. 12 nom.
S'hai. Explorations	Tls. 4½ nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 8 nom.
Banks	$44 nom.
Tronoh Mines	21/- buy.
Ural Caspians	8/- nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$113 buy.
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Shanghai Docks	Tls. 113 nom.
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Hong Kong Realtys	$8 nom.
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Orientals	Tls. 2½ nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 54 nom.
Do. (new)	Tls. 27 nom.
China Buses	Tls. 9½ buy.
H.K. Tramways	$22 buy., 22½ sa.
Peak Trams (old)	$15½ buy.
Do. (new)	$7½ nom.
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Taxis	$2 sel.
Amusements	$15½ sel.
Canton Ices	$5 nom.
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Do. (old)	$9 nom.
Do. (new)	$2 nom.
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Do. (old)	$13 sel.
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Der A Wings	$6 nom.
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EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

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Brussels	39.90
Amsterdam	12.12½
Berlin	20.44
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	34.40½
Helsingfors	192½
Lisbon	2.17/32
Buenos Aires	46.11/32
New York	4.85.5/16
Geneva	25.14
Milan	110½
Stockholm	18.16
Oslo	19.09
Prague	163½
Madrid	31.34
Rio	5.23/32
Bombay	1/6.1/32
Yokohama	2/0.7/32
Shanghai	2/5½
Hong Kong	1/11¾
Silver (spot)	25
Silver (forward)	24½

RICE MARKET REPORT.

We have received the following Rice Market report from the Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extrême-Orient, dated Saigon, December 28th, 1926:—

We beg to confirm our last market report of December 14th, 1926.

Our market is very quiet without any big variation in prices. No important business is to be reported, the Far Eastern markets having not shown any activity.

The tendency keeps slightly weak, and lower prices can be yet expected.

The total amount of rice exported from January 1st to December 15th, 1926, is 1,333,237,043 tons against 1,366,807,602 in 1925.

We quote to-day white Saigon rice, No. 1 25% brokens round grain:—Hong Kong $7.20 per picul of 134 lbs., f.o.b. Saigon; £0.11/10 per cwt., f.o.b. Saigon; yen 7 per picul of 134 lbs., f.o.b. Saigon. White Saigon rice No. 2 sifted, Japan quality: Hong Kong $6.70 per picul of 134 lbs., f.o.b. Saigon; £0.11/- per cwt., f.o.b. Saigon; yen 6.60 per picul of 134 lbs., f.o.b. Saigon. For January/February shipment.

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RICKSHA AND CHAIR COOLIES.

MOVEMENT TO IMPROVE THEIR LOT.

SUCCESSFUL INAUGURAL MEETING.

BISHOP VALTORTA'S APPEAL.

A strong effort is to be made in the immediate future to ameliorate the lot of local ricksha and chair coolies. It is proposed to inaugurate a movement on a non-sectarian basis, and to invite the assistance, sympathy and support of all religious denominations, charitable organisations, and the public in general of this Colony.

At a meeting held last evening at the Italian Mission House, above Caine Road, for the purpose of considering ways and means to improve the conditions of Hong Kong's ricksha and chair coolies, a provisional committee was appointed to investigate the matter, and they will at a later date lay tentative proposals and suggestions before a public meeting which will be called for the purpose of considering them, and, if thought fit, of approving and financially supporting the scheme ultimately adopted.

It was stated at the meeting that the idea was to improve the lot of the class of coolies referred to on similar lines to those adopted at Shanghai, but adapting the scheme to local conditions. Several ambitious schemes were put forward and many suggestions were made, and it now remains for the provisional committee to work these out, and draft a programme which will meet with the most urgent requirements of the ricksha and chair coolies.

Bishop Valtorta's Initiative.

The meeting was called by Bishop Valtorta, who spent many years as a missioner in Hoifoong and Weifoong, the two principal centres which supply this Colony with its ricksha and chair coolies. Bishop Valtorta is keenly interested in the movement, and is anxious that something shall be done to improve the lot of these "beasts of burden." The Bishop's plea, contained in a circular issued on the subject, was published yesterday.

Bishop Valtorta presided at last evening's meeting, and among other interested persons present were Mr. J. M. Alves and Mr. George Zimmern.

The Bishop said that they were not concerned so much with increasing the coolie's earnings—for he had been told by a one time traffic inspector that on rainy days the earnings of a chair coolie come to so much as $10, and on ordinary days from $3 to $4—as with the necessity of conserving the coolie's earnings. He had discovered that these men frittered away these earnings in gambling, and on other questionable pursuits and a large number failed to send home enough to support their families.

What he suggested was to find ways and means to substitute an uplifting and beneficial amount of recreation, in place of the diversions now available

Non-Sectarian Basis.

Bishop Valtorta agreed with Mr. Alves that the movement should be considered from the non-sectarian point of view, and therefore he welcomed the presence of Mr. G. Zimmern, who had already done some practical work in the cause of the rickshamen.

While welcoming any support the St. Vincent de Paul Society could give, he (the Chairman) would like the movement to be supported by other charitable associations of Hong Kong, as the movement was for the purpose of benefitting a big section of the community.

Support From Chinese Counsellors.

Bishop Valtorta thought it would be wise to secure the co-operation of influential Chinese. In this connection he laid on the table a letter received from the two Chinese members of the Legislative Council (the Hon. Sir Shou Son Chow and the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G.).

This letter read as follows:—

"We would have asked you to allow us to come to your meeting this evening, but for the fact that we have made previously an appointment for the same hour. The object of your meeting has our entire sympathy, for although ricksha and chair coolies had their tariff of fares increased by the Government at the beginning of 1925, as a result of our legislation, which was sympathetically supported by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police), we agree that much can still be done to improve the lot of these poor men who are no better than 'beasts of burden.'

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(*Continued on next Column*).

BUTTER WRAPPED IN A £40,000 WILL.

PARIS COURT HEARS A STRANGE CASE.

The story of how a will, involving an inheritance of a million gold francs (£40,000), was found wrapped round a pat of butter bought in an open-air village market, was recently unfolded before a Paris court.

Mme. Berthon, a wealthy widow, of St. Etienne, died in 1905, leaving, as was generally supposed, her fortune of a million francs to her godchild, Claudine Chavanne, the four-year-old daughter of poor parents. The will, however, could not be found, and the natural heirs took possession.

A Mystery.

A year later a workman bought a pat of butter at a neighbouring village market. It was wrapped in paper which had something written on it, and which proved to be the missing will. The mystery of how it came there has never been cleared up.

Claudine's parents started legal proceedings but were obliged to borrow 30,000 francs from a friend to carry on the fight, and won it. They received a million francs in trust for their daughter.

The friend who advanced the 30,000 francs sues the heiress for the return of the loan, which was never repaid. The heiress, who is now married, refuses to repay it, under an article of the Civil Code which forbids parents or guardians to borrow money in the name of a minor except with judicial sanction.

The court reserved judgment.

GERMAN ARMAMENTS.

ALLIED CONTROL TO END ON JANUARY 31st.

It is announced that agreement has been reached by the delegates to the League of Nations on all points outstanding between the Allies and Germany regarding disarmament except those relating to the Konigsberg fortifications and the manufacture of war material. M. Briand, the French Foreign Minnster, upon leaving Sir Austen Chamberlain's room, where the agreement was made, told me that he was entirely satisfied.

Sir Austen Chamberlain expressed satisfaction that the policy of Locarno had been carried still another step. He explained that the two points in dispute will again come before the Council of Ambassadors, and it is hoped that a solution will be reached before the allied military control ends on January 31st.

The agreement stipulates that pending negotiations all works on fortifications will cease, and on February 1st the League control of German disarmament will begin, but experts will be sent to Germany only when it is deemed necessary by the Council.

Some Suggestions.

Various tentative suggestions were considered by the meeting, such as the provision of tea houses where education could be given including instruction in the elementary rules of traffic thus saving coolies from penalties for offences often committed in ignorance. It was also suggested that there should be an extension of the present coolie shelters provided by the Government at certain traffic points; and also the provision of better conditions in coolie lodging houses.

Study of the Problem.

It was decided after discussion, that a thorough study of the whole problem in its local aspects was necessary, and for this purpose the provisional committee was appointed, with power to add to its number.

The hope was expressed that additional meetings of the provisional committee would evolve a definite scheme to lay before the public meeting to be held later. At this meeting, it was stated, all people interested in the movement, as well as charitable organisations, would be asked to attend.

Bishop Voltorta, in the course of his address, advanced two alternative schemes. One was a maximum scheme providing for new and better quarters, and the other was a minimum scheme which was concerned in looking after the personal wants on the principal that the best way to reach the ricksha man's heart is via his stomach. His Lordship thought that between these two it would not be difficult to evolve a practicable scheme.

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2547	2673	2693	2747	2764	2810
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5664	5670	5804	5816	5821	5902
6006	6055	6205	6293	6319	6337
6362	6425	6434	6492	6535	6571
6845	6931	6979	7292	7366	7399
7439	7476	7486	7548	7602	7614
7626	7642	7677	7732	7837	7947
7987	8036	8059	8217	8293	8300
8349	8413	8437	8450	8503	8510
8520	8538	8605	8708	8720	8725
8782	8806	8850	8857	8949	8995
9036	9121	9166	9206	9229	9280
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12886	12934	13007	13117	13232	13265
13307	13323	13420	13479	13487	13517
13547	13548	13630	13748	13786	13803
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16401	16423	16511	16578	16614	16687
16778	16851	16912	16933	17058	17092
17102	17116	17161	17211	17214	17297
17289	17335	17360	17420	17481	17508
17618	17731	17771	17776	17825	18016
18043	18069	18084	18121	18152	18209
18210	18346	18393	18395	18432	18444
18496	18525	18548	18662	18722	18746
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19077	19134	19136	19151	19153	19243
19277	19306	19410	19413	19498	19572
19636	19641	19696	19718	19721	19744
19750	19813	19860	19872	19877	19926
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21407	21565	21613	21631	21655	21739
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22398	22457	22480	22535	22604	22686
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23361	23410	23447	23470	23566	23674
23700	23799	23820	23891	24059	24089
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26967	26973	27017	27051	27077	27078
27116	27193	27210	27212	27243	27336
27358	27373	27381	27381	27388	27449
27733	27771	27783	27882	27887	27907
27909	27949	27962	28060	28074	28108
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Countersigned—
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THE "SUNNING" PIRACY CASE.

MAGISTRACY PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDE TO-DAY.

NINE ACCUSED NOW COMMITTED.

MR. LO'S SUBMISSIONS TO THE COURT.

The Magistracy proceedings in the *Sunning* piracy case have entered their final stage. They will conclude this morning, and the second phase of the case will open when the accused who have been committed to the Criminal Sessions take their place in the dock at the Supreme Court later this month.

The case, when it concludes at the Magistracy to-day, will have been called on no fewer than 22 days, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, and during that time 65 witnesses have been called by the Crown and others standing by have not been called at all.

The position now is that ten men out of the original twenty who were charged in connection with the piracy have been discharged. Nine others have been committed for trial, and the only remaining defendant is No. 2, the Formosan, who commenced his evidence late yesterday afternoon, and will conclude it this morning at the Central Magistracy. This will finish the Magistracy proceedings, except for a closing address on this man's behalf by Mr. M. K. Lo.

Yesterday Mr. Lo addressed the court and called the 7th accused. In the afternoon Nos. 9 and 14 accused gave evidence, and after Mr. Lo had laid his submissions before the Court, the three accused mentioned were committed for trial.

Mr. Lo's Address.

At the morning hearing Mr. Lo said he proposed to deal very briefly with the question of discretion and jurisdiction. He thought there would be no real conflict between himself and the Crown as to the extent of the evidence against the remaining defendants. He therefore proposed to address the Court on the law of (1) evidence of identification, and (2) limitation of the Magistrate's powers of committal and the extent of his Worship's discretion to discharge the accused on account of conflict of evidence.

In quoting "Best on Identification," Mr. Lo said that he felt that no one would attach much importance to evidence of persons who said "I saw that man 'fore," or "I think that man was 'aft." Unless there was very special evidence, no jury would convict.

Turning to his Worship's jurisdiction, Mr. Lo quoted a number of cases decided in the Court of Appeal and an important judgment given by Mr. Justice Gompertz in the case of Rex *v.* Hong Sui Loong. "In that case," said Mr. Lo, "Sir Edward Clarke, perhaps the greatest authority on the subject of extradition, had said, in regard to the duties of a Magistrate, that they were more limited in cases of extradition than in an ordinary indictable charge. It must be remembered that a magistrate in cases that demanded extradition was not quite in the same position as if he were deciding on a charge of crime committed within his own jurisdiction. In the latter case, he had full discretion; he may, and often does, discharge a prisoner because for one of several reasons he thinks a jury would not be likely to convict. He asked his Worship to exercise this discretion in the present case.

7th Accused.

Mr. Lo said that with his Worship's permission he would deal with the 7th, 9th, and 14th defendants first, leaving No. 8 until the end, the first three having been fellow seamen on the s.s. *Cheung On*.

His Worship concurred.

Wu Pang, the 7th defendant, in reply to Mr. Lo, said that he was one of the 19 members of the crew of the s.s. *Cheung On* who were paid off at Shanghai and given passages to Hong Kong on board the s.s. *Sunning*. They had been on the former vessel for six months.

Witness went on to recall how pirates entered his cabin and took away his purse. He remained below until he was driven up on deck by the pirates. He managed to hide under a lifeboat, afterwards crossing the deck to another boat. When the fire started he helped to put it out. Seeing some officers take a purse from a pirate, witness went out to see if it were his. He was promptly arrested and from that time to the present had been in custody.

The Court adjourned for the tiffin interval at the conclusion of No. 7 accused's evidence.

Not Pirates.

At the afternoon hearing, Mr. Lo called the former No. 10 accused who was discharged recently. This man said he was a discharged seaman from the s.s. *Philadelphia* (or *Cheung On*) and said that the remaining defendants in Court were all in the steerage during the piracy, were not pirates, did not associate with the pirates, and took no part whatever in the piracy.

Cross-examined by Mr. Holmes, this witness denied that a card with the name of the Chinese Consul-General, who gave evidence in the earlier stages of the case, was found in his pocket by the police when he was searched.

Corroborative evidence as to the remaining defendants not being pirates, and being in the steerage all the time the pirates were in control, was given by the former No. 12 accused.

Mr. Lo called further witnesses who gave similar evidence and then put the 9th and 14th accused in the box. The former emphatically denied that he took part in the piracy, or that he was the man who escorted the Captain of the *Sunning* on one occasion to the lavatory. He claimed that it was a case of mistaken identity.

No. 14 also denied being a pirate.

Not Strong Enough to Convict.

Mr. Lo addressed the Court and submitted that as regards the remaining defendants no jury would convict. Out of 65 witnesses called by the prosecution only 34 had identified one or other of the prisoners as taking part in the piracy.

Mr. Lo went on to deal with the evidence against his remaining clients and said they were charged with piracy on the high seas, stealing the ship and stealing money.

It was for the Magistrate to come to some conclusion how a piracy of this kind was engineered. Was it engineered on the spot.

Mr. Lindsell: I don't think there is any need for you to go into that. The question is 'Did these men seize the opportunity to chip in when the piracy started?'

Continuing, Mr. Lo said the pirates did not have the luck to pull off a coup of this kind every day in the week. It was something of an achievement for them and he did not think anyone would go so far as to suggest that, having seized the ship the original gang of pirates allowed others to come in, and share the loot.

Also, was his Worship satisfied that the burning of the ship was done with the one object of destroying all traces of the piracy. Witnesses had expressed an opinion that all the pirates left the *Sunning*," and he suggested there was very strong evidence that those who remained were not pirates.

The Crown had called a witness who had said the defendants were in the steerage. Men who had been defendants in the case had said the same and because they had been defendants that was no reason why their evidence should not be given credence.

Value of Identification.

Mr. Lo criticised the value of the evidence of identification when accompanied by no other evidence and concluding his address said it would be nothing short of a miscarriage of justice if the three men were made to undergo the anxiety and expense of a trial at the Criminal Sessions.

The Crown Solicitor referred to the possibility of others joining the pirate gang during the early stages of the piracy. If Mr. Beatty and Mr. Orr were not mistaken, the probable conclusion was that No. 7 was not armed, but was added to the band at the start and then armed himself with the water bottle and struck the Second Officer.

The men were undoubtedly from the s.s. *Philadelphia*. As regards the number of pirates there had been indications of the number, and then there was the remark of the pirates chief that the band consisted of 25.

Mr. Holmes refered to the fact that the defendants and the witnesses called for the defence concentrated on the fact that all the men from the *Philadelphia* were in the steerage. They did not qualify that statement at all.

Three Committed.

Mr. Lindsell commented that he thought he was bound to send the men for trial and committed them to the Criminal Sessions.

Following the committal of Nos. 7, 9 and 14 accused for trial at the Criminal Sessions, the one remaining accused, the Formosan (No. 8) was put in the witness box and began his evidence. It was not completed when the Court adjourned at nearly 6 p.m., and he will conclude his story this morning, and this will bring to a close the proceedings so far as the Magistracy is concerned. The Court sits at 11 a.m.

ROBBER VERSUS POLICE.

GIN DRINKERS' BAY BATTLE.

ATTACK ON A DISTILLERY.

The hearing of the case in which four Chinese, who are held on various charges arising out of the skirmish with the Police at the Wo Lung distillery in Kwai Chung, in the vicinity of Gin Drinkers' Bay on December 2nd, was resumed yesterday afternoon before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Police Court.

The charges preferred against the four defendants are attempted armed robbery, and possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose.

It will be recalled that four men were killed in the skirmish.

At yesterday's proceedings, Mr. C. Greenwood, Police Armourer, testified to having examined two revolvers on December 4th at the Water Police Station. The revolvers were all loaded and one had had two rounds fired from it and was in good condition. The two rounds of ammunition found on the other revolver were wet. Witness added that he took out the powder from those two bullets, and the first lot took 30 seconds to ignite. The second lot took 9 seconds. The caps of those two bullets had been fired but failed to ignite the powder.

A Police Ambush.

A Chinese detective said that he went with Sub-Inspector Andrews to the Wo Lung Distillery, and was posted in the "master's" room with three other Chinese detectives and Sub-Inspector Andrews. They waited from 7 till a little after 10 p.m. when some people came into the room, and on seeing the police took out their guns and two shots were fired. The police officers returned the fire, and he himself fired four shots. In this shooting affray, witness further added, Sub-Inspector Andrews killed one of the robbers outright. Another of the miscreants were wounded.

Further evidence was heard, and the defendants having intimated that they would be calling witnesses for their defence the case was adjourned.

A YOUNG RUSSIAN VAGRANT.

SUCCESSION OF STOWAWAY ADVENTURES.

Appealing for leniency, when charged under the vagrancy act, at the Central Magistracy, before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday morning, a sixteen year-old Russian boy told a pitiable story of his life.

The youth Elija Nihito Phomenko, by name, said that he was a native of Ekaterinoslcavl. Sent to school after the death of his parents, he went to Odessa in 1925, stowed away in a Russian ship and reached *Vladivostock*. He was unable to obtain employment and stowed away on the Glenapp.

He left the boat at Singapore in December, 1925, and he worked for his keep on a rubber plantation for a Mr. Frankel. He was receiving no salary and eventually with the assistance of seaman, he stowed away again on the M.M. s.s. *D'Artagnan*. At Aden he was discovered by the officers and sent back to Singapore.

He was imprisoned there and then sent by the s.s. *Hakozaki Maru* to Shanghai. His only suit was a white one and he landed in Hong Kong with the idea of getting warmer clothes. The boat left without him.

Det. Sergt. Elstom said arrangements were being made to send the lad to Shanghai. A Japanese boat would be leaving on Monday or Tuesday next.

Nihito was sent to the House of Detention until the necessary arrangements are made.

BAG-SNATCHERS TO BE SEVERELY PUNISHED.

When the man accused at snatching Mrs. J. Barros Master's bag in Nathan Road, was brought before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy, yesterday morning, the Police asked for a remand, intimating that the case would be taken to the Supreme Court. The defendant was accordingly remanded for one week.

From this it will be gathered that the Police are now taking drastic steps to put a stop to this form of offence.

THE NEW C.-IN-C.

SIR R. Y. TYRWHITT TAKES OVER COMMAND.

Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Yorke Tyrwhitt, K.C.B, D.S.O. (the new Commander-in-Chief of the China Station) landed yesterday morning from the P. & O. s.s. *Morea* on which he had travelled from Home, accompanied by Lady Tyrwhitt, and their two daughters.

He immediately took over his command of the China Squadron, and horsted his flag on H.M.S. *Despatch*. The usual salutes were accorded and H.M.S. *Despatch* saluted the flag of the departing Admiral, this salute being returned by the flagship, H.M.S. *Hawkins*.

This morning the departing Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., will strike his flag on the *Hawkins*, prior to leaving for Home on the *Malwa* at noon. Sir Edwyn takes over the command of the Nore from Admiral Sir William Goodenough.

The new Commander-in-Chief, it is understood, leaves almost immediately for the North.

His secretary is Paymaster-Commander K. E. Badcock, D.S.O., D.S.C.

LATE FERRY SERVICES.

TO LEAVE BOTH SIDES OF HARBOUR UP TO 2.40 A.M.

Residents will be glad to learn that Ferry services across the harbour after the midnight hour are being further extended by the Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry Co. Those who are detained late either on the island or on "the other side across the harbour," can leave up to 2.40 a.m.

Commencing from yesterday, it is announced that a launch will leave simultaneously the Pottinger Street wharf and the Company's pier at Yaumati every twenty minutes after midnight, this late service, for which only twenty cents is being charged, being maintained up till 2.40 from either point.

CONSIDER YOURSELF SQUARE.

AMUSING INCIDENT AT MAGISTRACY.

Charged with causing wilful damage to a suit of clothes belonging to a man with whom she lodged, a Chinese woman appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning.

Observing that the evidence was "most conflicting," his Worship asked the defendant whether she would be willing to pay the complainant $3.

Defendant (indignantly): Certainly not! I don't object to paying a fine, but I don't want that man to get it. I have been locked up for two days.

His Worship (to complainant). You have sufficient time to waste to prefer a charge which you could not support and you rendered yourself liable to prosecution. Consider yourself square; she spoiled your suit and you spoiled her feelings. (Laughter.)

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT PROMOTION.

SERGEANT MASON MADE SUB-INSPECTOR.

Sergeant Mason, of the Traffic Department of the Hong Kong Police Force, has been promoted to the rank of Sub-Inspector of the mechanical work of the Force. Mr. Mason, a very popular officer, has been with the Hong Kong Police since 1920, becoming a Sergeant three years later. He was put in charge of the mechanical department in January, 1924. His work consists of repairing and overhauling police vehicles, of which there are eleven A.J.S. combinations, three motor vans, and one motor car, and also regular examinations of all public vehicles, commercial cars, lorries, and private cars when necessary, in order to ensure they are kept in the best possible condition, and so conduce to the safety of driving on Hong Kong's difficult roads.

He has been connected with motor work before and during the war, and is generally recognised to be an authority on the subject. He has done much valuable work for the public safety in both Hong Kong and Kowloon by the unremitting attention he has paid to the condition of buses, taxis and other public vehicles.

RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

Training is in full swing at Happy Valley now-a-days and the subscription griffins, shorn of their long hair and having lost some of their flesh, look a very promising bunch. It is rather early to talk of the Derby winner but Mr. Dunbar and Messrs. Toeg and Priestley's stables are already expected to provide the winner. Mr. Dunbar has four griffins and *San Diego* has returned from Shanghai. Chi Ling, who trained for the late Sir Paul Chater for so many years, has come down from Shanghai to look after Mr. Dunbar's interests. Other owners of griffins are: Sir Victor Sassoon 4, Mr. Tam Pearce 3, Messrs. Toeg and Priestley 3, Mr. Ho Kom Tong 4, Mr. Roda 3, Mrs. Paterson 2, Mr. R. J. Paterson 1, Mr. W. Stanton 1, Mr. H. P. White 1, Mr. Harold Seth 1, Messrs. Hogg and Seth 1 and Messrs. Hall and Shenton have two ponies taken over from Mr. Taggart's stables which are still griffins. Mr. H. P. White has become the owner of *Golden Pheasant* which recently belonged to Mr. H. Birkett. In addition to their three griffins Messrs. Toeg and Priestley have two good ponies arriving to-day one of which is *Saucy Sue*. Mr. T. Pearce has 4 old ponies, amongst them being that old favourite, *Spotted Sand*. It will be seen that there is excellent material for a first class race meeting. By the way the Jockey Club Cup, the last race on the first day, has been changed to 1¼ miles instead of 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. Birkett leaves to-day by the *Malwa* and he takes with him the best wishes of all turfites for a speedy return to good health and to the Colony. He was the recipient from some members of the Fanling Hunt of a piece of silver, suitably inscribed as a token of their affection for the M.F.H. Mr. Birkett won the Hong Kong Derby with *Sunstar* in 1922, was Clerk of the Course for some time and he is a Steward of the Hong Kong Jockey Club but none of his activities will be as enduring as his association with the Fanling Hunt. He and Dr. Pierce Grove initiated the hunt at a time when it was difficult to arouse enthusiasm of any sort, but they carried on undauntedly and added another page to the sporting annals of the Colony.

THE COLONY'S WATER SUPPLY.

The consumption of water in the City and Hill District, in millions of gallons, during December was 244.29. The estimated population is 407,620 which works out at 19.3 gallons per head, per day.

Corresponding figures for December, 1925 were:—226.34 gallons; pop. 397,300; daily consumption 19.4. The storage was reported as 1,225.18, compared with 1,638.91 in December 1925.

Full supply was reported in all Rider Main Districts up to December 8th and an intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts from Dec. 9th to 31st, 1925. Full supply in all Rider Main Districts during December 1926 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an intermittent supply was given from December 4th to 31st, 1926.

At Kowloon.

The consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during December 1926 was 74.89 million gallons.

The population is given as 158,140, which works out at 15.3 gallons per head per day.

Figures for December 1925 were consumption, 68.27; population 153,100; per head per day 14.4 gallons.

There was a full supply in all districts during December 1925 and 1926.

The Government Analyst's reports shew that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to December 31st, 1926, 100.78 inches.

RED STRENGTH IN KWANGTUNG.

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MUI TSAI ABOLISHED IN CANTON.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Peasants' Corps ("Reds") of Tsingyun, North River Districts of Kwangtung, are again having trouble with the Merchants' Volunteer Corps, and the conditions there must have been pretty serious, as the Magistrate of the District has wired to Canton for re-inforcements. Tsingyun, like many districts in Kwangtung, is a territory where the agents of the Communists Party have a strong hold on the people.

The numerical strength of the Communists in Kwangtung is not so strong as their influence, it appears: and according to their own statistics, they had a membership of only 158,085 at the end of 1926. Among them are 32,626 workers and 34,476 students.

"You better find out for me who was the guilty," or words to that effect, was the reply the other day which General Chien Ta Chun, Chief of the Canton Police, gave to a delegation of detectives under his service who called on him complaining that one of their squad was killed by a worker during the New Year fight between two rival labour unions and suggesting that the culprit should be brought to justice in Canton. Besides the detective several non-cambatants who had the misfortune to be caught in the street fighting during the holidays.

An Inter-Labour Dispute."

To bring about an amicable settlement of the dispute between the two leading labour federations in Canton, the Workers' Delegate Conference ("Reds") and the Central Labour Union ("anti-Reds"), a peace conference is now sitting under the chairmanship of the Kuomintang Commissioner of Labour and Agriculture.

Mui Tsai Abolished in Canton.

The Kwangtung Provincial Administration in Canton has just passed a bill prohibiting the further practice of the *Mui Tsai* or servant girl system. It is considered one of the most important social reforms in Canton.

The hotel servants' strike in Canton is not yet settled.

On January 5th in Canton a group of strike pickets belonging to the petroleum oil *fokis'* union tried to prevent a non-union man from carrying a can of oil on the streets and arrested the supposed "strike-breaker," but the Police refused to assist the petroleum strikers in enforcing the union rule which should not now be operated on non-union plant.

NEW SECRETARY OF CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

POST FOR MR. YIN HSIN TSAO IN HONG KONG.

Mr. Yin Hsin Tsao, formerly secretary in charge of the educational department of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Canton and who for the last few years has been making a special study of the Association's work in America, is to take up the post of general secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Hong Kong upon his arrival here from Europe on Sunday or Monday next. Mr. Tsao has been touring Europe visiting various Y.M.C.A. organisations. Mr. Tsao has acted as Y.M.C.A. secretary in Shanghai and Yunnanfu as well as in Canton. In addition to the Y.M.C.A. work, Mr. Tsao was one of the early scoutmasters in the Canton Boy Scout Movement.

Among well-known Chinese in Hong Kong who have been nominated as members of the Board of Directors of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. are Dr. Arthur Woo, vice-president of the China Medical Association; Mr. Chang Po Shu, of Yu Lee Yuan Company; Mr. Au Chiu, Sincere Company; Mr. Wong Sum Kun, of Standard Oil Company; Mr. K. L. Chau, of the Hong Kong Department of Education; and Mr. Wong Shiu Poon, of St. Paul's College. Those retiring from the Board but are eligible for election include Dr. Chau Wei Cheung, president of the Chinese Medical Association of Hong Kong; Dr. Fork King Kun of Tung Wah Hospital; Mr. Sun Chi Hing of Wing On Company, and Mr. Chak Tai Kwong, a well-known figure in the Hong Kong boy scout movement and St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A., will hold its general meeting of members next Friday evening, January 14th, at six o'clock.

REGULATING STRIKES.

NEW KUOMINTANG REGULATIONS.

RULES FOR EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYED.

ATTEMPT TO FORM ONE LARGE LABOUR FEDERATION.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Labour strikes in South China are being "legalised" by the Kuomintang. Complaint has been made that the new regulations forbid employers to engage non-union assistance when once a strike is declared and render employers liable for the payment of wages during the progress of a strike. This seems harsh but past experience has shown that the union have usually been strong enough to prevent the employment of other labour and most frequently the employers have had to pay strike wages when the dispute has been settled, so possibly for all practical purposes the new "laws" will not make the position much worse than it is at present.

The regulations relative to economic disputes as promulgated by the Kuomintang on January 5th, are as follows:—

Merchants.

In a labour dispute, merchants are expected to observe the following rules:—

1.—During the strike of a guild or union of workers covering his particular trade, the proprietor of a firm or a factory may perform the necessary labour pertaining to his line of business or manufacture but shall not engage other persons to assist him in the business or manufacture.
2.—A firm or factory suspending business or operation shall notify its employees one month in advance and pay a month's extra wages. Any firm or factory closing without good reason shall pay two months extra wages.
3.—Employees returning to work after a strike shall be entitled to wages during the period of the strike reckoned according to the increased scale, but labour unions concerned may not advance any further claim for losses incurred during the period under negotiation.
4.—Merchants shall not organize themselves as workers in order to enjoy the privileges of labour and undermine the influence of the existing unions of their particular trades.
5.—Regular "Ta" or "big" merchants may not join a union, and "Siu" or "small" merchants (hawkers, etc.), while being permitted to join a union with the consent and approval of its authorities, may speak and cast votes for officers at meetings but shall shall have no right to vote on resolutions or be elected to office.
6.—In time of dispute, a merchant shall not bribe members of another union or engage assistants for unlawful purpose under penalty of severe punishment upon detection of guilt.

Unions.

Labour unions are expected to observe the following:—

1.—No individual worker or a labour union may exercise the power of arrest of merchants or other workers or deprive any person of his personal liberty.
2.—No individual worker or a labour union may, during a labour dispute, appropriate the goods of any firm or factory for his own use.
3.—No individual worker or labour union may blockade a shop or factory and prevent its owners from personally working in connection with their trade or manufacture.
4.—No labour organization may collect dues or enroll members without first being registered with the proper authorities, and an organization, during the process of registration, may only use the name of "Committee on Organization." In no case is a union permitted to use armed force to compel a person to become a member.
5.—No union is permitted to take more dues from its members than the amount fixed by regulation or to exact a commission or a bonus from firms or factories.
6.—No armed labour parade shall take place, and persons meeting under arms for purpose of fighting shall be subject to arrest and punishment.

(*Continued on next Column*).

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH POLICY IN CHINA.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—The leader in to-day's *Daily Press* hits the nail fairly and squarely on the head with reference to the situation in which British people now find themselves in China. Can it be doubted that the majority of the Chinese are of opinion that the British have received a very serious set-back at the hands of the victorious Nationalists? And can anyone wonder that they should so delude themselves? It will be a long time yet before the potency of force can be eradicated from the minds of even intelligent Orientals. We British have had a convincing and probably a very costly lesson meted out to us as to the value, which the Chinese, flushed with the heady wine of victory, attach to conciliation. Quite evidently they value the olive branch when they have nothing stronger to cling to and, with the true Oriental outlook on life, they regard those that speak of conciliation as having no better weapon to lean upon or to use.

Surely, as you indicate in your leader, the time has now come for us to point out unmistakably to the Chinese that we can and will adopt different methods.—British warships are not ornaments and, happily, there are quite enough at hand to demonstrate even to the Nationalists that their legitimate use might now be seriously considered. No Briton wishes to use force while reason may prevail; but the Chinese have convincingly indicated that they are at present in no reasonable mood.

Sir, different methods from those brought forward must be adopted, otherwise, as you indicate, the situation will go from bad to worse. The Chinese are not fools, even though at times they appear to be singularly obtuse. Once they realise that in support of our rights we can and will use other methods than those of conciliation, it will speedily be found that the Nationalists are fully alive to realities.

Meantime, we have lingered enough along the primrose path of dalliance, have found that conciliation, in theory all right, in practice is all wrong so far as the Chinese Nationalists are concerned. We know that we have right as well as might on our side. It is high time we adopted less altruistic methods.—Yours sincerely,

BRITON.

Hong Kong, January 7th, 1927.

Journeyman Traders.

There is also a series of regulations covering the class of journeymen who work and trade at the same time—a shoe-maker, for instance, who makes to order and has a few pairs of shoes in stock for sale. Independent workers or small traders include those who may have less than three paid assistants. The journeymen within this classification need not join a union, unless they wish to do so. During a strike in his particular line, he may continue to work at his trade, but his paid assistants may not do so. Small manufacturers or journeymen without ordinary place of business but doing work in their own homes will be free from the rules just promulgated by the Kuomintang.

Public Utilities.

Disputes between employers and employees touching certain lines of trade are subject to strict Kuomintang command, and the decisions of the Board of Arbitration concerning these shall have the power of judicial orders or court judgments which everybody must obey. These trades include all public utilities, arms manufacture financial organizations such as banking and exchange, and all "necessities." The specification of "necessities," however, has not yet been agreed upon.

Federation of Labour Unions.

An attempt is being made by the Bolshevik section of the Kuomintang in Canton to bring all Labour Unions within Kwangtung Province into one federation. The Communists are calling for a conference of all unions for January 15th for the purpose of forming the "General Labour Union of Kwangtung Province."

FOUR FUNERALS AT HAPPY VALLEY.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES AT THE CEMETERY.

MR. W. E. ROSE.

The funeral of the late Mr. W. E. Rose took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, and was attended by a large number of friends.

The deceased was 57 years of age and was a brother to Mr. L. A. Rose, architect. The late Mr. W. E. Rose, who had not been well for the past two or three months was admitted to the French Convent Hospital on Tuesday. His death took took place early yesterday morning.

Deceased was widely known in Hongkong, and was a well-known figure at the Craigengower Cricket Club and had looked after the Club's grounds for a number of years. The late Mr. Rose was popularly known as the "Clock Tower," for he was generally to be seen near that former landmark, where he was a cheery gossiper with a wide circle of friends. In his younger days, the deceased was a prominent runner having captured many trophies on the local course, and latterly he had taken much interest in lawn bowls.

The cortege left the French Convent Hospital at about quarter past five yesterday, and was accompanied to the Cemetery by a large number of friends and relatives.

The chief mourners were: Mr. L. A. Rose, Miss Barros and Mr. T. Knight. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. A. Dixon, Geo. White, Van der Lely, C. S. Rosselet, T. Night and A. W. Lee.

Among those present were Mr. A. Rumjahn, Mr. K. K. Mody, Mr. U. Omar, Mr. P. Muskett, Mr. N. White, Mr. Y. Abbass, Mr. Rodriques, Mr. E. L. Stainfield, Mr. H. Stainfield, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sousa, Mr. Lionel Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bennett, Mr. D. Clow, Mr. A. Gillard, Mr. Nevas, Mr. Jack Swanson and many others.

Father Spada officiated.

Floral tributes were sent by: The Craigengower Cricket Club, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cooper and family, Mr. Lionel E. Lammert, "Lily and Tom," "Dolly," Mr. and Mrs. Montalto de Jesus and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stainfield, Mr. E. C. Rock, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Billimoria, Mr. P. A. Dixon, Dr. J. W. Kew, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stainfield, Mr. Geo. White, "The Servants" of Craigengower Cricket Club, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Abbass, Capt. and Mrs. G. F. Spink, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. de Figueredo and family, Mr. C. Rapp, Mr. G. C. White, Mr. C. A. C. Rodriques, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gonsalves, Mr. A. Khijeuman, Mr. J. R. Swanstone, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillard, Mr. N. B. Muoketts, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. R. Souza, "Emily," "Sarah and Louisa," Mrs. M. T. Williams and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. da Silva, Mr. C. F. Rapp, "Louis, Sue and Elsie," Mr. Ricardo Baga.

LANCE-SERGT. HERBERT.

The funeral of the late Police-Sergt. Herbert took place in the Protestant Cemetery yesterday afternoon, the Rev. C. H. Copley Moyle officiating. There was a large number of the deceased's late colleagues, escorting the gun carriage upon which the coffin was placed.

Among those present were: Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Inspector W. Kent (Chief Inspector), Inspector J. Ogg (Officer in charge of the Water Police Station), Inspector Bond (Officer in charge of the Harbour Police), Inspector Spear, Sub-Inspectors Logan, J. Murphy, Dick, Mr. C. Greenwood and others, including a number of sergeants and lance-sergeants.

The wreaths included tributes from Fred and Jack, Chief Detective-Inspector T. Murphy, Inspector and Mrs. J. Ogg, Inspectors Grant and Logan, Inspector and Mrs. Dick, Sub-Inspector and Mrs. K. W. Andrew, Sub-Inspector Perkins and Sergt. Joy, Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bloor, Messrs. Paterson and McLellan, Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Woods, Sergts. Munro and Duncan, Condon and Charman, Carson and Johnson, Read and O'Connell, Kelly, P. Barnicle, Harrison and Sabey, Mr. C. Greenwood.

Room Mates, Lance-Sergeants' Mess, No. 7 Police Station, Wardens' Mess, Laichikok, Lance-Sergeants, Praya East Police Station, King Edward Hotel, Sergeants' Mess No. 2 Police Station, Lance-Sergeants' Mess, Central Police Station.

MR. M. P. REMEDIOS.

The late Mr. M. P. Remedios, who passed away at his residence, No. 8, Humphrey's Avenue, Kowloon, on Thursday afternoon, was laid to rest yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley.

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A NOTORIOUS BURGLAR.

INJURES CAPTOR WITH A RAZOR.

SHARP PUNISHMENT INFLICTED.

The burglar who was caught by Mr. Sirdar Khan after a struggle, in which the miscreant succeeded in causing injuries to his captor with a razor, was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, yesterday morning, at the Central Magistracy.

Mr. Khan, in the witness-box, said that at 2 a.m. on Thursday he was aroused by a noise on the verandah of his house in 32, Russell Street. He caught the defendant, who struggled violently and slashed at him with a razor.

His Worship: You are satisfied that the wounds were not accidental?—Quite. He begged to be let go, but when I refused he slashed out.

In reply to his Worship, defendant admitted having the razor for the purpose of removing the window panes.

His Worship: Anything else?

Defendant: It was unintentional. If I had meant to harm him, I could easily have ripped his stomach open.

His Worship imposed sentences aggregating 6 months' hard labour.

In regard to yet another charge of returning from banishment, Sub-Inspector Vincent produced finger-print records which showed that the defendant had been twice convicted for larceny, and was banished on the last occasion for ten years.

On this charge Mr. Lindsell imposed an additional sentence of 6 months' and 20 strokes of the birch.

The deceased who was 45 years of age was an old Portuguese resident of Hong Kong and had been on the staff of the Great Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. for 28 years. He first joined as an operator at the age of 17 and rose to the position of accountant, which he held up to the time of his death.

The coffin was brought from Kowloon in a launch and landed at the Arsenal Pier at 5 p.m. yesterday, where it was accompanied to the graveside by a large number of friends.

The funeral rites were performed by Father Sapa.

Among those present were: Mr. Jensen, Mr. Nielsen, Mr. Summers Paterson, Mr. Allan, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Mr. A. Silva-Netto, Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. J. Lee, Mr. H. Sequiera, Mr. E. M. Rocha, Mr. M. Figuerido, Mr. J. Lee, Mr. H. Sequiera, Mr. M. Figuerido, Mr. J. d'Almeida, Mr. A. J. Rodriques, Mr. M. A. Gomes, Mr. D. J. Lopes, Mr. A. Pina and many others.

Wreaths were sent by the following: Chinese Counter Staff and Compradore of G. E. E. Tel Co., Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Leggatt, "The Electrical Staff," Mr. J. C. de Sousa Botelho, Mr. Carlos d'Assumpcao, Mr. A. A. Bothelo, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bothelo, "Club Lusitano," "Associacio Portuguesa da Socorros Mutuos," Mr. Francisco da Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Luz, Mr. Ng Kai Ning, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rosario, "The Supervising Staff," Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rodriques, Mr. E. J. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Castro, and many others.

STOKER RICHARD FREEBORN.

The death occurred at the Naval Hospital on Thursday, of Stoker Richard Freeborn of H.M.S. *Vindictive*, after several weeks' confinement in hospital, the deceased succumbing to tubercolosis at the age of 32 years.

At the interment yesterday afternoon in the Protestant Cemetery, the service was conducted by the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey and H.M.S. *Hawkins* provided the mourners and a firing party.

From the hospital the coffin was borne to the cemetery by members of the crew of H.M.S. *Hawkins*, while the Royal Marines Band played Beethoven's Funeral March on approaching the gates of the Cemetery.

There were several officers and rating of the *Hawkins* present and wreaths from "his loving wife" and "his loving mother" were laid on the grave.

SENIOR CHINESE REVENUE OFFICER.

AN EX-ROYAL NAVY MAN.

The funeral also took place yesterday, attended by many Service colleagues, of Chinese Senior Revenue Officer Kwan Fuk of the Imports and Exports Department.

Mr. Kwan Fuk died on Wednesday, 45 years of age, at his home at No. 44, D'Aguilar Street.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke, the European Revenue Officers, Chinese Revenue Officers and the clerical staff of the Department.

Deceased had 11½ years' service with the Colony's preventive corps and had previously served in the Royal Navy on the West River gunboats. He bore a fine character and by his zeal and intelligence had won the esteem of all his superiors.

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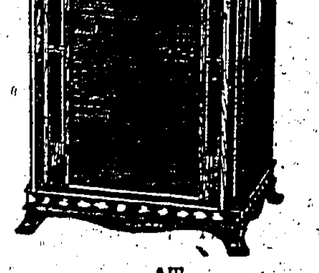

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NOTICE.

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E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927. [4417

LOST OR STOLEN.

THE Undermentioned SAVINGS ACCOUNT PASS BOOK having been Reported as LOST, It is Hereby Declared that the Same has been CANCELLED.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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No. 4 of 1926.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES, ORDINANCES, 1911-1925
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THE KWONG CHOW HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is intended to declare A FIRST AND FINAL DIVIDEND in the above matter, and Creditors, *Who Have Not Already Done So*, are Required on or before the 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1927, to Send their Names and Addresses, and the Particulars of their Debts or Claims and the Names and Addresses of their Solicitors, if any, to the OFFICIAL RECEIVER, Supreme Court, the Liquidator in this matter, and are also Required by their Solicitors or Personally to come in and prove their Debts or Claims at the Office of the OFFICIAL RECEIVER, Supreme Court, between the Hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., or in default thereof they will be excluded from the Benefit of any Distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated this 8th day of January, 1927.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,
Special Manager,
c/o LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
3, Queen's Road Central,
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CYMDEITHAS DEWI SANT HONG KONG

(ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY, HONG KONG).

THE President and Members of the Committee of the Society will be "At Home" to all Members of the Society and their Welsh Friends at the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, 11TH JANUARY, 1927, 5.30-7.30 P.M.

(Sgd.) G. S. HUGH-JONES,
Actg Hon. Secretary,
4389] 2, Queen's Road Central.

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THE undermentioned Share Certificate has been declared DESTROYED and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN against the Negotiation of These Shares.

Duplicate Certificate will be issued One Month hence and the Original Certificate, unless Recovered within that Period, will thereafter be held by the Company as NULL and VOID.

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MOK HOK MING.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
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Shanghai, 9th Dec., 1926. [4305

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRIES for the FORTHCOMING RACES CLOSE on SATURDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1927, at 3 P.M., and must be send to the SECRETARY c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings on or before This Date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the JOCKEY CLUB STABLES, RACE COURSE, HONGKONG CLUB or LINSTEAD & DAVIS. [4401

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

DINNER DANCE
8.15 P.M., JANUARY 21ST, 1927.

MEMBERS may book their Tables and obtain their Tickets on and after MONDAY, 10TH INST., at MESSRS. MOUTRIE'S, where a Plan of the Seating Arrangements may be seen. [4398

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., on THURSDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 1927, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14TH JANUARY, to THURSDAY, 27TH JANUARY, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927. [4399

NOTICE.

THE SANITARY BOARD wishes to draw the Attention of the Public, and especially of those who have recently come to this Colony, to the possibility of acquiring Diseases, *e.g.*, Dysentery and Typhoid Fever by eating of Uncooked Vegetables.

Chinese Market-gardeners use manure from human sources and their custom is to pour the manure or spray it from watering-pots in liquid form over the Growing Plants.

Disease-producing Parasites are therefore possibly present on the surfaces of plants, *e.g.*, Lettuces, over which the Gardener's spray falls.

D. DAVIES,
Secretary, SANITARY BOARD.
January, 1927. [4381

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 7879 for 8 Shares, £4 Per Share Paid Up Numbered 62091/62096 and 85605/85606 in this Society standing in the Name of MRS. MARIA WU DA SILVA, of CANTON, has been declared LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above Document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed CANCELLED and of No Effect, and a NEW CERTIFICATE for the 8 Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927. [4392

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

EFFECTIVE FIRST JANUARY, 1927, the Hong Kong Branch of the INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION will be operated as a Branch of THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK. The Change in Name will involve no Change in Personnel or Staff, or Operation of the Branch. The Stock of the INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION has since the Year 1915 been owned by THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK and it is now desirable from an Operating Standpoint to make the Change in Name above referred to. With the Increase in its Capital Stock which will take place at the ANNUAL MEETING of its Stock Holders on JANUARY 11TH, 1927, the Capital, Surplus, and Undivided Profits, of the NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK will be, Approximately, $140,000,000.

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SHAREHOLDERS are Reminded that the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company of which Notice has already been given will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on JANUARY 10TH, 1927, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK in the FORENOON, for the purpose of confirming the Special Resolution which was passed at the Same Place and Time on MONDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, 1926.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MR. J. L. BROMFIELD is Admitted as a Partner in This Business Effective 1ST JANUARY, 1927.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Business of the UNIVERSAL AUTO SUPPLY COMPANY, situated at 61, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG, is now under New Management and Proprietorship, Beginning JANUARY 15TH, 1927, the said Firm will be changed to and hereafter known as the UNIVERSAL MOTOR AND SUPPLY COMPANY (有公品用及車汽通萬).

As Successor to the Old Company, the New Management will be very glad to continue all the Established Relationship with their Business Friends and also to extend their Hearty Welcome to New Partrons for the Coming Year.
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THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO, LIMITED, MACAO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the INAUGURAL RACE MEETING FOR CHINA PONIES of This Club will take place at MACAO on the 6TH FEBRUARY, 1927 NEXT, if Weather Permits. There will be Only One Event at This Meeting. "THE TRIAL STAKES."

The FIRST ANNUAL SPRING MEETING FOR CHINA PONIES is Scheduled to take place on the 16TH, 17TH, 18TH and 24TH APRIL, 1927. The CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKE will be Run on the 18TH APRIL, the 3RD Day of the Meeting.

By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.
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CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1927, at 2.30 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings of an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company held at the Same Place on TUESDAY, the 4th of JANUARY, 1927, and to confirm, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the following:—

"That the regulations contained in "the printed document submitted "to the meeting and for the "purpose of identification sub- "scribed by the Chairman thereof "be approved and adopted as the "Articles of Association of the "Company in substitution for "and to the exclusion of all "existing Articles thereof, save "that in the proposed new "Article 87 the number of Dir- "ectors be increased from seven "to nine and in the proposed "new Article 89 the remuneration "of $7,000.00 per annum be "increased to $9,000.00 per "annum."

A Copy of the proposed New Article of Association of the Company with the Alterations, Amendments and Differences between the Existing and New Articles incorporated and indicated in Red Ink can be seen during the Usual Business Hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 4th day of January, 1927.

SHEWAN, TIMES & CO.,
General Managers.
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HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

FOURTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 8TH JANUARY, AT 9.15 P.M. AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENTS:

STOKER NORMAN MORRIS (H.M.S. *Hermes*)
v.
STOKER GEORGE BOOTH (H.M.S. *Hollyhock*)
(Middle Weight Champion of the China Squadron).

BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S:—
MEMBERS:—5TH & 6TH JANUARY.
GENERAL PUBLIC:—7TH & 8TH JANUARY.

USUAL PRICES. [4379

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

WE Have TO-DAY Admitted MR. MICHAEL HOWARD TURNER as a Partner in Our Firm.

DEACONS.
Hong Kong, 1st January, 1927. [4375

BERBLINGER & COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as on and from the 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, the Partnership between A. BERBLINGER and F. FELD who heretofore carried on Business at CANTON and HONGKONG as Engineers, Contractors and General Merchants under the Style of BERBLINGER & CO. has been DISSOLVED by Mutual Agreement and that the Assets and Liabilities of the aforesaid Business have been assigned to F. FELD who will continue to carry on the said Business at the same Places as heretofore as Sole Owner under the Style or Name of "F. FELD" and also under the former Chinese Hong Name of BO BE YEUNG HANG.

BERBLINGER & CO.
AND
F. FELD.
Canton, 1st January, 1927. [4376

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4822 dated HONGKONG, 2ND OCTOBER, 1917, for One Share of this Bank Numbered 54097 in the Name of MR. LO KWONG HIN has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certificate for the Share will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4822 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926. [4281

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4760 dated HONGKONG, 31ST AUGUST, 1917, for Three Shares of this Bank Numbered 54094/54096 in the Name of MR. LO KWONG LUM has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4760 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926. [4282

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certified Transfer Deed for One Share of this Bank Numbered 62638 in the Name of MR. ANTHONY HENRY CARROLL stated to have been completed by MRS. E. M. STAPLETON has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certified Transfer Deed not be produced before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certified Transfer Deed will be issued, and the aforesaid Missing Certified Transfer Deed will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th December, 1926. [4283

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INTIMATIONS.

"With mirth and laughter let old wrinkles come;
And let my liver rather heat with wine,
Than my heart cool with mortifying groans.
Why should a man whose blood is warm within,
Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster?
Sleep when he wakes? And creep into the jaundice
By being peevish?"
Merchant of Venice Act I, Sc. I.

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DINSDALE.—At Ichang, on December 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. F. A. DINSDALE, a son. [4418

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London Office: 131, Fleet St., E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, JANUARY 8TH, 1927.

OUT OF EVIL GOOD MAY COME.

THE attitude of the Kuomintang officials at Hankow and the profound apology tendered by Mr. EUGENE CHEN for the damage wantonly done to the British War Memorial bears out the opinion we expressed yesterday that the whole trouble was engineered by M. BORODIN and his friends who succeeded, with their inflammatory speeches, in rousing the mob. It was a trial of strength. We repeat that it is inconceivable the more responsible leaders should have deliberately planned to place their whole cause in such a hopelessly wrong position. Mr. EUGENE CHEN and those associated with him in the Kuomintang Executive are not fools. They would realise how the news that the women and children had been forced to seek safety in flight would reverberate round the world and the effect it would have in turning opinion strongly against them in every foreign country. Of course M. BORODIN would understand this, too, but his aims, we believe, are fundamentally different from those of his nominal employers. We do not think the Soviet, from whom M. BORODIN takes his orders, are entirely happy over the prospect of the Kuomintang coming to some reasonable understanding with the Foreign Powers and establishing an orderly and successful regime. And so the tug-of-war within the ranks of the Nationalists continues.

The Kuomintang have been shouldered into power on the backs of the Labour Unions and with the help of the Russians. For a time it was a comparatively happy family party and all worked towards the one goal, but now the paths diverge. The moderate and patriotic Chinese wish to rest upon their laurels and to demonstrate their ability in administration but the Russians certainly have not that end in view. All their labour and money would have been wasted and their influence would vanish if peace and order were restored. They wish a continuance of strife and as a consequence work through the wilder and more ignorant members of the Labour Party to achieve their ends. The position is delicate, for the Kuomintang officials cannot do without the help of the Unions and naturally the programme which promises most, although it may be impossible of achievement, is more popular than a cold appeal to reason and economic facts.

But the extremists seem to have overshot the mark in the disturbances they have engineered in Hankow and it is probable that for a time there will be a distinct reaction against their policy. Possibly, therefore, out of evil good may come. The time is certainly ripe for the conference which we suggested yesterday. Reuter informs us that members of the British Legation in Peking are on their way to Hankow. We sincerely trust they will get into touch with the Nationalists and that the outcome will be a declaration of policy on both sides which will help to clarify the position in the future. As we have said, the recent British Memorandum shows the path Great Britain is prepared to follow to meet legitimate nationalist aspirations. It should now be accompanied by a clear statement of the measures Great Britain is prepared and determined to take to guard her property and the rights of her nationals. Such a statement, at this juncture, could not be regarded as a threat and would have no ill-effect on the situation generally. On the contrary, it would provide the moderate section of the Kuomintang with just that support of which they now stand in so much need. We think it would be appreciated by them and assist them in the difficult task which lies ahead.

Sub-Inspector E. J. Cotton of the Police is back from long leave, being one of those who disembarked yesterday from the *Morea* from London.

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Mr. W. Kay, M.A., second master at Queen's College, returned to the Colony yesterday, from long leave, arriving on the *Morea*. He broke his journey at Singapore to spend the Christmas season with a sister who is resident there.

Lance Sergt. George, of the Traffic Police, who received a broken leg when his motor cycle combination collided with a car on Stanley Road on Sunday week, is making satisfactory progress, but is likely to be in hospital for some considerable time yet.

The Lady Jane Grey and Mrs. Theodore Stephenson, the wife of Major General T. E. Stephenson, C.B., who was some years ago General Officer Commanding in Singapore, are paying a visit to Hong Kong. They propose staying with friends on the Peak for a month before returning to England, *viâ* Palestine.

A passenger from America, by the President Cleveland, was fined $50 by Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, for being in possession of a dagger without a permit.

Appearing before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. L. V. Pinna, of Jordan Road, was fined $5 for riding a bicycle on the wrong side of Prince Edward Road.

A Chinese, charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon with obtaining money by means of false pretences from four pawnshops, by tendering articles purporting falsely to be "all gold," was remanded on bail of $1,000. Mr. W. B. Hind, for the defence, was unable to attend Court, and the case was adjourned for hearing until next Wednesday afternoon.

The 39th ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., is to be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., on Thursday, January 27th, at noon.

In connection with the dinner dance of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, to be held on Friday, January 21st, members may book their tables after Monday at Messrs. Moutrie's where a plan of the seating arrangements may be seen.

Entries for the forthcoming annual races of the Hong Kong Jockey Club close on Saturday, January 22nd. Entry forms are now ready and may be obtained at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hong Kong Club, or Linstead & Davis.

Shareholders are reminded that the extraordinary general meeting of the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., of which notice has already been given, will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel on Monday at 11 a.m., for the purpose of confirming the special resolution which was passed at a previous meeting on December 20th.

The Belilios Public School for Girls, Hollywood Road, has formed an Old Girls' Association, the aims of which are to foster friendship between former girls of the school. Officers have been elected and following the inaugural meeting there will be a social gathering on February 16th. The Secretary of the new Association is Mrs. A. J. Kew, 333, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Two highway robberies have been reported by the Police. One of these occurred on Thursday at Aberdeen, near the Paper Mills, when a Chinese woman was stopped by two men and robbed of her personal trinkets, valued at $35. The second affair occurred on the railway line near Lowu Station. A married couple were stopped by armed men who found nothing more valuable on their victims than two dollars in Chinese copper cents.

Two enjoyable and largely attended social events were held last night, the H.M.S. *Hermes* ship's company's ball at the Hotel Savoy, —a new venue, but a successful choice,—the other event being a similar function at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, where the Dockyard Recreation Club held a dance. The popular "Semreh" attended the *Hermes* ball, which was well patronised, despite the false rumour which was circulated during the morning that the ball was cancelled owing to the *Hermes* going to sea.

A number of Naval officers arrived here from the *Morea* yesterday besides the new Admiral. These include Pay Comdr. K. E. Badcock, Pay Lt.-Comdr. Morrissey, Pay Lt. D. S. Wareham, Pay Lt. A. G. Spears, Lt.-Comdr. T. Taylor and Lt.-Comdr. J. D. Hamilton, who is bound for Shanghai. Other Hong Kong passengers are Captain M. Costello, Captain C. F. Sparrow, Lt. A. N. Waring, Lt. C. R. V. Pugh, Lt. H. R. E. Nicholl, C.P.O. T. P. Mantle, Surgeon Lt. J. Way (from Southampton), C.P.O. B. B. Lewis (from Aden).

At this week's public meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge The Theosophical Society on Thursday, Mr. John Russell, F.T.S., gave an address on "The New Outlook." He said in brief, the world is at the end of one Age, and at the beginning of a New Age, the Age of Practical Brotherhood, when all mankind will know themselves as one family, and the Law of Brotherhood will be the Law of Human Society. It is to the young that we must turn for the effective shaping of that New Age, and such movements as the "World Federation of Youth."

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong St. David's Society (Cymdeithas Dewi Sant) is announced to be held at the office of Mr. D. J. Lewis (Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master), Prince's Building, on Friday next, January 14th, at 5.30 p.m. The business of the meeting is to receive the report of the Committee and the statement of accounts for the past year; to elect officers and committee for the ensuing year; to consider the manner in which St. David's Day shall be celebrated; to consider any suggestions put forward in regard to social activities of the Society for the ensuing year.

Four men broke into a magazine at San Wai Village, Main Street, Aberdeen, on Thursday night, and stole 280 sticks of dynamite and 620 detonators. They entered a matshed in which two Chinese watchmen of the Wo Fat contractor, San Wai, were sleeping, and bound their hands behind their backs. When the principal watchman told them the key of the magazine was in the office, one of the robbers became annoyed and struck the man on the back with a revolver. Both watchmen were then gagged, and when eventually released discovered that both locks had been broken off the magazine and the dynamite and detonators mentioned stolen. A quantity of fuse, and an empty box, which had been contained dynamite, were in a nullah near by.

STATE OF AFFAIRS AT HANKOW.

NATIONALIST MODERATES MOVING SLOWLY IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

MR. CHEN APOLOGISES TO BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL.

EXODUS OF AMERICAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

EVACUATIONS FROM OTHER PARTS OF CHINA.

WARNING BY CHAIRMAN OF LONDON CHINA ASSOCIATION.

Yesterday's news regarding Hankow was of a conflicting character. Evidently, however, the powers of persuasion of the moderate element among the Nationalists proved effective, for not only did Mr. Eugene Chen "profoundly apologise" to the British Consul-General for the vandalism at the British war memorial, but he is stated to have deprecated the evacuation from the British Concession and also to have expressed the hope that business would soon be resumed. So far, so good. But we seem to be quite a long way from "Business as Usual" in Hankow, Ichang and Kiukiang. And, it seems, the pleasing report that the British again control their Concession at Hankow, lacks confirmation. On the whole, the horizon seems clearer, but in the absence of details and of tangible evidence that Mr. Chen is really in a position to carry out what he guarantees, it will be just as well to have an open mind on the matter and be prepared to deal effectually with eventualities.

The very latest news to hand states that British subjects are leaving various places in Szechuan and other parts of China.

Until the Powers focus their attention on the Bolshevist menace in China and deal with it drastically, either directly or indirectly, there is little likelihood of settled conditions in this country.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRITISH LEAVING PARTS OF SZECHUAN AND ELSEWHERE.

PEKING, January 7th.

The evacuation of British men as well as women from Chengtu and elsewhere in Szechuan and other parts of Southern and Western China has begun in some places and all preparations therefor have been completed in others.

Altogether 60 American women and children have been evacuated at Hankow.

LONDON LIBERAL JOURNAL'S "WORD TO MR. CHEN."

LONDON, January 7th.

The *Daily News*, in "A word to Mr. Chen," hopes that he will make good his pledge to "keep the situation in hand." There is (it is added) no reason to suppose that the Canton Government, with the forces at its command, is unable to perform that imperative duty. If Mr. Chen and his associates are to justify their claim to be representative and a civilized administration, they must prove their instant readiness to perform one of the elementary functions of civilized society by defending the lives and property of peaceable citizens whether "extraterritorialists" or not against murderous riots. Leaders, like Mr. Chen, must be astute enough to realise that without foreign trade conducted in circumstances of reasonable security, they will have throttled "the goose that lays the golden eggs," and south-east China would be reduced economically to the status of a crude half-starved organism incapable of anything but slow, painful and laborious evolution from the beginning.

LLOYDS UNDERWRITERS' RATES ON CHINA CONCESSIONS.

LONDON, January 7th.

During the last few days Lloyds Underwriters have quoted a rate of five per cent. per month to cover the risk of damage to mercantile property in the foreign concessions of Hankow and one per cent. per month with regard to property in the foreign settlements of Shanghai and five per cent. for three months.

TROUBLESOME MOB AT KIUKIANG.

SHANGHAI, January 7th.

258 British women and children, also a few men, left for Shanghai early on Thursday morning.

At Kiukiang a riot on Thursday afternoon was directed against the Concession.

Chinese military and police arrived just in time to hold back the crowd. Later, the crowd broke in at the Bund gate but was prevented from entering the concession. Now all is quiet.

WHAT HANKOW CHINESE DEMAND.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Reports from Hankow, dated January 5th, state that the Chinese constables of the British Concession were that day able to free themselves from a mob of more than 10,000 by fighting their way out with their batons, injuring eight persons among the mob. The mob was later persuaded to disperse by the Garrison Commission and representatives of public organizations, including Mr. Chen Chun, of the Kuomintang.

A meeting of organizations in Hankow, on January 5th, decided to organize a committee to deal with the demand for the rendition of the British Concession.

A joint committee of farmers, workers, students, and merchants in Hankow has presented the Kuomintang with ten demands:—

1. Abolish opium within six months.
2. Abolish the surtax on salt.
3. Disband all irregular troops.
4. Punish all corrupt gentries.
5. Effect a unification of finance administration and prohibit individual officials levying miscellaneous taxes.
6. Restore as soon as possible all Government industries.
7. Have a regular budget for education and regulate all Mission schools.
8. Have regular channels for the redemption of all Kuomintang Central Bank notes.
9. Publish, at once, laws governing factories.
10. Prohibit all foot-binding and promote education among women.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

BRITISH WARSHIPS ON THE SCENE.

RUGBY, January 7th.

No fresh incidents are reported from Hankow, where the situation was yesterday described as quiet. The Chinese authorities have issued a proclamation guaranteeing the safety of British life and property. British warships, under Rear-Admiral Cameron, Commander of the British Yangtsze flotilla, lie alongside the quays of the British Concession.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS PRESS COMMENT.

PARIS, January 7th.

Most of the morning journals comment on Hankow.

"*Pertinax*," in the *Echo de Paris*, writes that the Cantonese hitherto have confined their attentions to the British, but the principles they proclaim affect all foreign Powers without distinction, and it was only for reasons of policy that they have so far respected the French and the Japanese concessions. He urges the Powers to defend Shanghai and the ports accessible to their warships, since trade with such centres develops in proportion as commerce becomes impossible in other parts of the country.

The *Gaulois* is of opinion that disunion among the Powers at a critical time would be particularly regrettable for the opportunities

(*Continued on next Column*).

THE STRUGGLE IN THE NORTH.

WHAT MARSHAL WU HAS DECIDED TO DO.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Reports from Chengchow state that Marshal Wu Pei Fu has decided to dispatch 80,000 men to recapture Hupeh, 60,000 to relieve Shensi and 40,000 to suppress the bandits in Honan. General Chang Ying Hua, of Shensi, is to raise monthly $7,000,000, for military expenses, and Marshal Chang Tso Lin of Mukden is being consulted for financial assistance.

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that would thereby be given to the Soviets. It adds that Russian Bolshevism is doubtless without real influence, except in so far as to inflame Nationalist passions, but it will become a permanent danger to Europe unless the Powers agree on a common policy to check such anti-foreign frenzy.

[*EARLIER TELEGRAMS.*]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

What Private Telegrams State.

HANKOW, January 7th.

Private telegrams received in Shanghai state by arrangement with the Chinese military authorities, the British have resumed control of the Concession, and the Chinese soldiery, except the military police, have been withdrawn.

News Not Confirmed.

SHANGHAI, January 7th.

Advices said to have been received here privately from Hankow, to the effect that control of the Concession had been resumed by the British, are unconfirmed.

The latest naval wireless message from Hankow, dated yesterday night, states that the Concession is still in the hands of the Chinese military.

American women and children are now being evacuated.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Mr. Eugene Chen Apologises for the Vandals.

RUGBY, January 6th.

In view of the unruly behaviour of the Chinese demonstrators crowding into the British Concession at Hankow, the British Consul-General, as a precautionary measure, ordered last night the evacuation of all women and children.

They are being conveyed down river to Shanghai. The Concession was comparatively quiet last night although further demonstrations were rumoured.

The British Consulate was being guarded by Chinese troops.

Mr. Eugene Chen, Acting Foreign Minister of the Southern National Government, who is in Hankow, has tendered to the Consul-General profound apologies on behalf of himself and his Government for the desecration by the mob of the War Memorial in the British Concession and has promised that the damage shall be immediately repaired.

Mr. Chen's "Guarantee."

Mr. Chen has deprecated as unnecessary the evacuation of British women and children, stating that he would personally guarantee immunity from danger or trouble. He expresses a hope for speedy restoration of order and resumption of business.

A number of American women and children have also been evacuated from the United States Consulate-General at Hankow.

Kiukiang.

At Kiukiang, lower down the Yangtsze, all British women and children willing to leave were also evacuated to Shanghai yesterday on board the Jardine, Matheson steamer *Tuckwo*.

An incident, which has since been followed by demonstrations, occurred there at the beginning of the week, following the seizure of a smugglers' boats and cargoes by Customs officers.

A threatening mob was dispersed by Chinese soldiers whose officers apologised for the incident and promised to prevent its repetition. As it seemed possible that the situation might get beyond the control of the Chinese officials the British authorities decided that as a precaution women and children should be removed to safety.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A CHINESE REQUEST.

THAT BRITISH WARSHIPS REMAIN!

HANKOW, January 6th.

Chinese reports state that Mr. Chan Kwan, the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs here, has written to the British Consul-General in regard to the presence of British warships.

It is said that Mr. Chan made a request to the Consul that until the Hankow affair has been settled, none of the British warships should leave, for, in the event of anything untoward happening, the Kuomintang authorities could not be held responsible.

British Legation Officials Leave for Hankow.

PEKING, January 6th.

Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley, Councillor of the British Legation, and Mr. E. Teichman, Chinese Secretary of the British Legation, have left for Hankow.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE FORCES.

A 4,500,000-DOLLAR AIRSHIP.

ADVOCATES OF A "BIG NAVY" PLEASED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, January 7th.

The House of Representatives adopted an amendment to the Naval Supply Bill providing for the construction of an airship of replace the Shenandoah, and to cost $4,500,000.

The authorisation of a new airship has pleased the advocates of a "Big Navy," as the sum is in excess of the Budget estimates in which President Coolidge seeks to limit naval expenditure.

The House of Representatives, however, have voted down other amendments aiming at increasing the strength of the Air Force.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARNING FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, January 7th.

The *Morning Post* gives prominence to a letter from Mr. Leefe, Chairman of the London China Association, who calls attention to the enormous British interests in Shanghai, which, with the safety of some 7,000 British residents, will be gravely imperilled if the Cantonese capture Shanghai, unless adequate measures are taken for their protection.

He refers to the evacuation of women and children at Hankow says that it is unknown whether, in the last resort, British evacuation from Shanghai is also contemplated; but, if so, such evacuation would mean the end of British prestige in the Far East and be a ruinous blow to our commerce with China.

CUSTOMS AFFAIRS.

SIR FRANCIS AGLEN'S VISIT TO SHANGHAI.

PEKING, Jan. 6th.

Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, left quietly for Shanghai on Monday.

It is understood that the object of Sir Francis' visit is to discuss Customs affairs with the Commissioner of Customs and bankers.

ARMS FOR "FRIENDS" IN SHANGHAI.

CHINESE FINED IN LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 6th.

A fine of £350 was imposed on Wing Ah Nang, a seaman of the Glen liner *Glengarry*, who pleaded guilty at London to illegally importing and concealing on the vessel 48 revolvers and 4,750 rounds of ammunition, which were found in a wooden case protecting the hot water pipes in the hold.

Prisoner said he brought them from Hamburg where they were brought to the *Glengarry* in a motor-boat and that he was going to take them to "friends" in Shanghai.

CEYLON RUBBER.

EXPORT FIGURES.

COLOMBO, Jan. 6th.

Ceylon rubber exports for December were 6,498 tons, with an exportable maximum of 5,000 tons, and export credits amounting to over 700 tons which were carried over from the month ending October 31st have now been used.

Ceylon rubber exports for 1926 totalled, 58,692 tons, the standard production for the fourth year of restriction being 70,475 tons.

BELGIUM AND BRITISH MEMORANDUM.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 6th.

The report that the French and Japanese reception of the British Memorandum on China has caused Belgium to revise her attitude, is stated, in well-informed circles here, to be incorrect.

M. Vandervelde, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, is now closely examining the Memorandum, but nothing has occurred to modify the first favourable impression produced in Belgian official circles by the document.

BETWEEN LONDON AND NEW YORK.

INTENSE INTEREST MANIFESTED IN THE NEW TELEPHONY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

Intense interest is being displayed on both sides of the Atlantic in to-day's inauguration of a wireless telephonic service between London and New York. The opening will be marked by a spoken exchange of greetings between Sir Evelyn Murray, Secretary of the Post Office and Mr. Walter Gifford, President of the American Telephones Company.

Thereafter, calls by subscribers in both cities will receive attention, and bookings are so heavy that the service promises to be working to full capacity throughout the day.

To facilitate to-day's working at Rugby, which is the British transmitting station for service, no British Official Press message will be despatched at eight o'clock to-night.

To-night's midnight press message will be sent as usual and to-morrow normal transmissions will be resumed and thereafter maintained.

THE "MOTHS" GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

NEARING INDIA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

The two small Moth aeroplanes are now within a single stage of India, having arrived from Jask at Charbar yesterday. Their flight from London is the most remarkable ever undertaken by low-powered machines.

DAME ELLEN TERRY.

SLIGHTLY IMPROVED IN HEALTH.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Although still very weak, a slight improvement was reported yesterday in the condition of the famous actress, Dame Ellen Terry.

BRITISH POLITICS.

A STALWART OF THE LIBERALS RETURNS TO THE FOLD.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Sir Herbert Samuel, formerly High Commissioner of Palestine, and Chairman of last year's Coal Commission, has returned to domestic politics, having accepted the Presidency of the Paddington Liberal Association. Sir Herbert held ministerial posts in Liberal Governments until Mr. Asquith's resignation in 1916.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

LONDON, January 7th.

An official communication from Cap Ferrat with reference to the condition of the Duke of Connaught, says that the Duke was unwell a little while back, but has now recovered.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NICARAGUA'S CIVIL WAR.

U.S. PROTECTING "LIFE AND PROPERTY."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6th.

The Navy Department announces that reinforcements, consisting of two cruisers, three destroyers, one submarine, one tender and 400 Marines are being despatched to Nicaragua, in order to enable Admiral Latimer thoroughly to protect American lives and property.

Students Protesting.

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 6th.

Protests against American policy in Nicaragua were voiced at a meeting last night of the student organisation known as the Anti-Imperialist League.

Several Socialist Deputies addressed the gathering.

U.S. BARRACKS FIRE.

£20,000 DAMAGE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6th.

Fire destroyed three two-storey wooden barracks and a workshop at the military prison on Governors Island.

The damage is estimated at over £20,000.

KEEPING TO AERIAL TIME TABLE.

BRITISH MINISTER'S FLIGHT TO INDIA.

NOW AT KARACHI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

KARACHI, January 7th.

Sir Samuel Hoare's air liner has arrived.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 6th.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for the Air, Lady Maud Hoare and Air Vice-Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond landed at Karachi at 5.25 this afternoon. This is the first long distance passenger flight ever carried out to a pre-arranged time table of hours and minutes. So closely has time table been followed that after flying four thousand eight hundred thirty-five miles the air liner was actually ten minutes early on arrival at Jask on the Persian Gulf.

Here the only delay on the whole flight occurred, violent sandstorms delaying the air liner for a day.

Despite this delay, however, India was reached from London in eleven days—the shortest time in which passengers have ever travelled between these two points. The Journey was accomplished by flying in daylight only, every night being spent comfortably at pre-arranged halts.

A Welcome Being Prepared at Delhi.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Sir Samuel Hoare is due to leave Karachi for Jodhpur to-day by the De Havilland Hercules biplane by which, in the company with Lady Maud Hoare, he has flown from London in eleven days.

Preparations are being made for receiving Sir Samuel at Delhi to-morrow.

Lady Maud's flight is the longest yet undertaken by a woman.

DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK'S DEPARTURE.

PORTSMOUTH'S FAREWELL.

BATTLESHIPS' SALUTE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, January 6th.

The Duke and Duchess of York's train arrived at Portsmouth Dockyard at one o'clock in the afternoon, in bright sunshine, and drew up at the railway jetty, alongside which H.M.S. *Renown* was moored. The Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth and others greeted them and when they boarded the *Renown*, the Duke's Standard was broken at the mainmast and the ships in harbour fired a Royal Salute. H.M.S. *Renown* sailed at 1.30 amid an outburst of cheers.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

A Royal Send-Off.

RUGBY, January 6th.

The battlecruiser *Renown* left Portsmouth at 1.30 this afternoon bearing the Duke and Duchess on their voyage to Australia and New Zealand. The Prince of Wales, Prince Henry and Prince George travelled with them from London to Portsmouth and accompanied them on board the warship. The scene of embarkation was most picturesque. The decks and gun turrets of the great vessel, which in the brilliant sun shone like a silver ship, were lined with sailors in their blue with white collars linked arm in arm. As the Duke stepped on board his standard was broken at the masthead and there was a crash of twenty-one guns as the vessels in harbour fired the Royal salute while the royal party were "piped on" by the boatswain in accordance with old custom which prevailed in the days when Nelson boarded the "Victory."

Marine Guard in Blue and Gold.

The Prince of Wales as senior officer took the inspection of the guard of honour of 100 Royal Marines assembled on the quarter deck. They presented a striking picture in their blue and gold uniforms with white pith helmets caught by sunlight. Within half an hour farewells had been said, the Princes returned ashore and the *Renown* slipped her moorings. All ships in harbour were dressed and manned, syrens were sounded while the guns of battleships *Iron Duke Marlborough, Benbow* and *Emperor of India* simultaneously crashed out a magnificent Royal Salute. The Duke and Duchess appeared on the promenade deck waving last goodbyes to the Princes and the cheering crowds.

Four destroyers escorted the *Renown* until sunset and five giant flying-boats also accompanied them round the Isle of Wight.

BEAM WIRELESS AND TELEPHONY.

NEW ENGLISH STATIONS NOW READY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

Short wave wireless beam stations at Grimsby and Skegness for communication with Australia are now ready for handing over by the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. to the Post Office for seven days official tests. During unofficial tests speeds of over 300 per minute have been attained.

Meanwhile, satisfactory tests of wireless telephony communication with Canada have been made by Marconis and have established that whenever high-speed wireless telegraphic services on the beam system are possible telephony services can also be carried on simultaneously, if a separate transmitter be installed.

The Official Opening.

RUGBY, January 6th.

Trans-Atlantic wireless telephony service between London and New York opens officially to-morrow.

It is an epoch-making event. Telephony by wireless was accomplished a quarter of a century ago, but it was then in such a form as to be impracticable for ordinary commercial usage. It had to await the advent of the thermonic valve, which has revolutionised wireless communication. Beginning with quite a small size, such as is used in the local broadcasting of to-day, the valve has been increased in power year by year until to-day large power valve transmitters of 200 kilomatts capacity are in service for telephony between London and New York.

How "The Trick" Is Done.

What happens in a conversation is that when a subscriber in London speaks, say from his office, his voice currents pass to a trunk exchange and thence along special underground long-distance cables to the wireless station at Rugby. There they undergo transformation which converts them into wireless waves, which pass across the Atlantic to Houlton, in Maine, where the receiving arrangements of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. are installed. From Houlton, they pass by a land line, for 500 miles to New York long-distance exchange and thence to the intended recipient.

The Reply.

When a New York subscriber replies, his voice currents pass to the long-distance exchange and thence along underground cables for 70 miles to the wireless station on Long Island. Here they are transformed into wireless waves and traverse the ocean to Wroughton, near Swindon, where a Post Office receiver converts the wireless waves back into voice frequency currents, suitable for transmission along underground cables to the London trunk exchange and thence to the subscriber.

Switching Devices.

In order to economise ether space, both transmission and reception are worked on the same wave-length. This necessitates the use of switching devices which are controlled by the voice in such a way that when a subscriber in London speaks his circuit to New York is switched on, and the circuit from New York to London is switched off. As soon as he ceases speaking the switches are restored automatically, and when the New York subscriber replies his voice works the switches so that he is connected to London and the circuit and New York incoming from London is temporarily cut off. This to and from process goes on automatically all the time the conversation is proceeding.

DISEASE DUE TO TULIPS.

PERIL OF HANDLING BULBS.

A strange disease, caught in the handling of bulbs, is revealed by Dr. Sibyl Overton, writing in a recent issue of the *Lancet*.

"Lily rash," from cutting the stems of narcissi and other flowers, has been known to occur among flower workers in Jersey and the Scilly Isles, but investigations have recently been made concerning dermatitis among the people who handle flower bulbs.

A splitting of the skin under the finger-nail, accompanied by pain and disability, becomes evident in some cases after only a few days' work on bulbs. The workers questioned blamed the tulips principally.

Dr. Overton attributes this to the fact that the tulip bulb is peculiar in being protected by only a single layered and rather rigid testa which splits easily.

Daffodils, narcissi, and hyacinths are more thickly wrapped, and bring about a different manifestation of the dermatitis.

Further observation of this out-of-the-way disease is being made by doctors.

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.

JANUARY 9TH, 1927, 1st Sunday after Epiphany :—

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Matins at 11 a.m.:—
Preacher:—Rev. W. W. Rodgers.
Evensong at 6 p.m.:—
Preacher:—Rev. G. F. Stopford, C.F.
Collections for the Church Missionary Association.

A social gathering will be held in the Cathedral Hall after Evensong. A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service Men and others. Music, Light Refreshments. [97

UNION CHURCH.

(KENNEDY ROAD).

SUNDAY SERVICES, January 9th :—
Sunday School at 9.45 a.m.
Morning Service at 10.30 a.m.:—
Hymns:—68, 152, 791, 659 and 372.
Preacher:—Rev. J. K. Maconachie.
P.S.A. in Lecture Hall at 4 p.m.:—
Address by Lieut. Richardson, R.N.
Evening Service at 6 p.m.:—
Hymns: 47, 328, 597, 449 and 683.
Preacher:—Rev. F. C. P. Alexander, C.F.
Wednesday, January 12th, at 8.15 p.m.—Soldiers' and Sailors' Christian Association.
Friday, January 14th, at 8.30 p.m.—Christian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour. [93

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

MACDONNELL ROAD, BELOW BOWEN ROAD TRAM STATION.

SUNDAY SERVICE, January 9th, at 11.15 a.m.:—

Subject:—"SACRAMENT."

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m.

Reading Room at above address, open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon; Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m.

The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the Reading Room. [87

ST. ANDRAW'S CHURCH, KOWLOON.

C.M.A. WEEK:—1st Sunday after Epiphany, January 9th:—
8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Young People's Service.
Missionary address.
11 a.m.—Preacher: The Vicar.
2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.
3 p.m.—Bible Classes.
Missionary lessons.
6 p.m.—Preacher: Rev. W. W. Rogers, M.A.
7.15 p.m.—Social Hour.

At both the 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services the lessons will be read by a Chinese Christian worker, and the Blind girl's choir will sing an anthem. [442

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FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE LIST.

NOTES ON THE CLUBS.

The following games are down for decision to-day:—

Grand Charity Game.

Royal Navy *v.* Army, on the Sookunpoo "A" ground, at 4 4 p.m. Referee: Mr. Atkinson.

League: Division I.

Kick-off at 4 p.m.

Kowloon *v.* Hong Kong Police, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Hollands.

Division II. "A."

Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.

China Athletic "A" *v.* Club de Recreio Reserves, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Gilmour.

China Athletic "B" *v.* University, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Lamb.

Division II. "B."

Kick-off at 4 p.m.

St. Joseph's Reserves *v.* China Athletic "B," St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Gilmour.

South China *v.* Boy Scouts, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Omar.

Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.

Kowloon "B" *v.* China Athletic "A," Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Samy.

Visitors to the Garrison ground to-day are promised a treat, for in addition to the Grand Charity game, postponed from New Year's Day, between the Royal Navy and Army, two bands will be in attendance on the ground, while the Pipers of the K.O.S.B.'s under Pipe Major Makie, will give some exhibition dancing. The band of H.M.S. *Hawkins* (by kind permission) will play selections on the ground before the kick off. H.E. the Governor has signified his intention of witnessing the game.

The game will be very keenly contested but owing to the movements of ships during the week, the Navy will not be so strongly represented as at the first selection. With the inclusion of several K.O.S.B.'s, and the three Army players from the Kowloon first team, the Army should make a bold bid for the laurels. The gate is to be devoted to Services Charities.

The only match in Division I. to be contested this week is between Kowloon and the Police on Kowloon F.C. ground.

With three of the leading players assisting the Army at Sookunpoo, the home team will be weakened. The Champions cannot afford to drop any more points if they are to be in the running for the second position in the league. The police will give them a good game and with their forwards in shooting vein, may capture the points.

In the "A" division, the Athletic "A" oppose the Recreio Reserves and the "A" have to wipe off the deficit inflicted upon them at King's Park earlier in the season. The Recreio will field a strong side and a good game should be seen.

The University just now are very inconsistent, but it is expected that they will beat the Athletic "B" on the St. Joseph's ground.

In the "B" division, the Athletic "A" are due on the Kowloon F.C. ground, being opposed to the Kowloon "B" team. With a full side the "A" team should return with the points.

South China and the Boy Scouts are expected to play a drawn game.

The leaders of the "B" division will have to go all the way to take the points from the Athletic "B."

CRICKET.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

There are seven League matches down for decision to-day, four in the first division and three in the second. The most interesting is that between the Kowloon and Hong Kong Cricket Clubs. Both sides are fielding full strength except that Kowloon will be without Capt. Bevis who is indisposed. It is doubtful with so many of the Colony's best batsmen distributed between the sides if any decision one afternoon. Kowloon have alre will be arrived at in the course of one afternoon. Kowloon have already defeated Craigengower and the University, while Hong Kong beat the K.O.S.B., drew with the University and lost to the Chinese.

The Royal Navy, who appear for the second time, having beaten the Indians, play the Royal Artillery. The match will be played on the Happy Valley ground.

In the second division the Indians, who have beaten the Hong Kong C.C. and Kowloon C.C. and drawn with the University, meet the Royal Navy at Sookunpoo. The latter team unexpectedly beat the Police three weeks ago and may win to-day. The Indians, however, are a very enthusiastic lot and will give of their best.

The full list of matches is as follows:—

League: Division I.

Kowloon C.C. *v.* Hong Kong C.C.
Royal Navy *v.* Royal Artillery.
Craigengower *v.* University.
Chinese R.C. *v.* Indian R.C.

(Continued on next Column).

LAWN TENNIS.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

MRS. TOTTENHAM RETAINS TITLE.

By defeating Miss Robinson yesterday in the Challenge Round, Mrs. Tottenham (holder) won the Open Singles Championship of the Colony for Ladies for the second time. The match was played on the grass court of the Ladies' Recreation Club at 3.15 p.m. and was watched by a good number of the fair sex.

In qualifying to meet Mrs. Tottenham, Miss Robinson defeated Miss Brown, 6-2, 6-1; Mrs. Hall, 6-2, 6-2; and Miss E. Lo, 6-4, 6-4.

Throughout yesterday's match, Mrs. Tottenham was the stronger player. Her courtcraft was much in evidence and hitting with her free style she placed the ball all round the court, cleverly varying her length and sometimes tricking her opponent by "soft" one just over the net. Mrs. Tottenham wore a headdress of dull blue and looked extraordinarily graceful in her movements about the court.

Miss Robinson has a strong forehand cross court drive which went to her opponent's back hand (the champion being left handed). Her backhand was much the same but and her style appeared a trifle cramped. She forced her game with cross court and side line drives which did not vary in length sufficiently to be effective. At the net, however, she was seen to advantage and when volleying, she invariably won the points. Miss Robinson played without any headwear and her golden hair remained unruffled to the end.

The Play.

Mrs. Tottenham began shakily and lost the first game, double faulting twice, but soon found her form and won the next five games with ease. Miss Robinson then forced the pace and by means of strong drives, well placed, won the two following games. The champion, however, took the next game and set.

The second set was faster and better. Miss Robinson showed up extremely well and although the score was 6-2 against her, she brought the scores in most games to deuce before losing. Some hard hitting was seen in this set and there were many long and exciting rallies.

The score in Mrs. Tottenham's favour was 6-3, 6-2.

YACHTING.

THE WEEK-END PROGRAMME.

The New Year holiday week-end passed off very pleasantly at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, and although there was no big programme arranged, a couple of enjoyable menagerie races were held, some capital sailing being obtained.

This week-end there will be a full programme.

This afternoon the racing yachts will resume their championship series. The course for this 7th championship race of the season is Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Club Line (S), Lyemun Beacon (S). The distance is between 8 and 9 miles.

To-morrow will be an important day at the Club. It is "Naval Day," and the second of a series of three this season. The Navy yachtsmen will again try their skill against the Club. They need to do better than last time if they are to make up leeway in the competition for the flag which goes to the side securing most points in the three races of the series. In November, when the first race was sailed, the Club defeated the Navy by 53 points to 28, and are thus leading by 25 points. The usual change over in boats will be made in the afternoon between the competitors, i.e., those sailed by the Navy in the morning will be sailed by the Club in the afternoon. Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., is expected to be present.

On Monday afternoon, the Ladies' section will resume their programme of championship races, which has been suspended during the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Their course, a distance of 8 miles, will be:—Mark off *Tamar* (S), Kowloon Rock (S).

Division II.

Hong Kong C.C. *v.* Kowloon C.C.
Civil Service C.C. *v.* Recreio.
Indian R.C. *v.* Royal Navy.
Craigengower *v.* Recreio.

Friendly Match.

Police R.C. *v.* University 2nd.

Sunday.

Indian R.C. *v.* Volunteers.

Indian R.C. *v.* Volunteers.

This match will take place to-morrow, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp at Sookunpoo.

Indian R.C.:—S. A. Ismail (captain), S. H. Ismail, S. A. R. Ismail, A. H. Madar, M. P. Madar, J. S. A. Curreem, J. S. Ackber, F. M. el Arculli, A. R. Rumjahn, Y. A. Wahab and V. T. Mans.

THE WEEK-END GOLF.

STARTING TIME FOR TO-MORROW.

From to-day to Monday at Fanling the Captain's Cup Competition will be played and to-morrow the qualifying round of the Junior Championship will be decided.

The starting times which have been fixed for to-morrow (Sunday) are as under:—

9.28 a.m. A. O. Brawn, N. K. Littlejohn.
9.32 ,, F. Syme Thomson, T. G. Weall.
9.36 ,, V. M. Grayburn, H. G. Hegarty.
9.40 ,, C. Thwaites, J. Wallace.
9.44 ,, A. B. Purves, A. E. Lissaman.
9.48 ,, R. A. Green, G. Miskin.
9.52 ,, T. D. E. Pendered, A. B. Raworth.
9.56 ,, G. E. Ellams, S. T. Butlin.
10.00 ,, C. B. Johnson, H. F. Bloxham.
10.04 ,, R. K. Valentine, A. Humpreys.
10.08 ,, E. Des Vœux, J. W. C. Bonnar.
10.12 ,, H. Carson, T. Low.
10.16 ,, I. W. Shewan, H. U. Ireland.
10.20 ,, G. Murray, W. D. Brown
10.24 ,, W. J. Clerk, J. S. McLaren.
10.12 ,, E. Storie, T. C. Monaghan.
10.32 ,, E. D. Black, J. K. Shaw.
10.36 ,, E. Grimble, G. B. Layton.
10.40 ,, A. K. Henderson, T. Ramsay.
10.44 ,, N. Currie, N. R. Cleland
10.48 ,, H. G. Howard, D. M. Goodall.
10.52 ,, W. A. Butterfield, W. A. Cornell.
10.56 ,, G. P. Lammert, F. M. Ellis.
11.00 ,, T. S. Whyte-Smith, A. Sommerfelt.
11.04 ,, C. C. Stark, A. Leach.
11.08 ,, H. R. Forsyth, H. E. Greensmith.
11.12 ,, W. J. S. Key, A. Nicol.
11.16 ,, S. B. Jones, J. Harrop.
11.20 ,, G. E. Towns, C. A. Peel.
11.24 ,, D. Templeton, W. Ironside.
11.28 ,, J. P. Sherry, R. G. Wilkerson.
11.32 ,, G. W. Sewell, D. Forbes.
11.36 ,, W. L. Dunbar, F. Redmond.
11.40 ,, Major Lynch, G. Aubrey.
11.44 ,, L. R. Andrewes, I. H. Geare.
11.48 ,, F. H. Crapnell, F. Taylor.
11.52 ,, Major Wyncoll, H. A. Lammert.
11.56 ,, C/F J. Waddell, D. S. Edward.
12.00 p.m. M. H. Roffey, C. A. Middleton-Smith.
12.04 ,, K. S. Robertson, C. B. Robertson.
12.08 ,, Col. Boylan Smith, R. M. Findlayson.
12.12 ,, J. W. Alabaster, E. D. Matthews.

MIXED MEDAL HANDICAP.

Result of New Year Holiday Competition.

The New Year mixed medal handicap competition played at Fanling from January 1st to January 3rd, resulted as under:—

Mr. and Mrs. Dodwell ..... 83—11=72 win

Other scores:
R. K. Valentine and Mrs. Middleton-Smith ..... 89—14=75
T. S. Whyte Smith and Miss Dyer ..... 88—12=76
Mr. and Mrs. Ireland. 89—12=77

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

ALTERATION OF ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION CONFIRMED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club was held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., yesterday evening, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax presiding.

At this meeting the subjoined resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the Club held on Thursday, December 16th, were submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

"The the Articles of Association be altered as follows:—

"(*a*) In Articles 47 and 82 the word 'President" be deleted.

"(*b*) In Articles 68, 73, 74 and 82 the word 'Captain' shall be substituted for the word 'President'."

Mr. Hallifax briefly explained the object for which the meeting had been called and formally proposed the confirmation of the above resolution as a special resolution.

This motion was carried unanimously.

£4,950 FOR GOLDEN DAWN.

The Golden Dawn Diamond was sold at Christie's last month for £4,950. It was owned by Captain C. R. Lucas, who had to pawn it. The Aga Khan became interested and took over the pawnbroker's mortgage, and now ordered his solicitors to foreclose.

The diamond was bought by the Aga Khan.

The Aga Khan had told his solicitors to foreclose when the mortgage and interest reached £6,000.

U.S. BOXING.

WHAT IT IS WORTH TO A HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

St. Louis, January 7th.

Gene Tunney will defend his title at the Yankee Stadium, New York, next September for the sum of approximately $750,000. The details were arranged here yesterday evening at a conference between Tunney and Tex Rickard, promoter, and the contract will probably be signed at a luncheon to-day.

Six Candidates.

Rickard has six candidates in mind to oppose Tunney, namely, Dempsey, Berlenbach, Sharkey, Delaney, Paolino and Maloney. Rickard will hold elimination contests, the survivor of which will fight Dempsey for the right to meet Tunney.

LOCAL CHINESE SOCCER PLAYERS IMPRESS LONDONER.

C.A.A. FOOTBALL ELEVEN PRESENTED WITH GOLD WATCHES.

Mr. A. V. Pinson, a Director of Messrs. W. H. Thompson & Co., London, who was here on a short business tour, was much impressed by the capital game played by the China Athletic Association team against the local Portuguese during the Christmas holidays. As a token of his appreciation, he presented each of the players with a gold wrist watch prior to his departure.

Mr. Pinson is the sole distributor for the Mooris Watch Co. at Switzerland, and the local agent is the Hong Kong Trading Co., Bank of Canton Building.

EMPIRE BASED ON THRIFT.

DUTY OF NATIONAL SAVING.

The members of the Nottingham City Business Club recently heard an address on "Thrift," by one of their colleagues, Mr. E. H. Reddish.

The essential condition of all progress, no less among plants and animals than among men, said the speaker, was the accumulation of a surplus store of wealth.

The whole development of civilisation was due to the progress of this idea of saying, of doing without present pleasure for the sake of future benefits.

The earliest men who learned the value of setting aside a portion of the day's kill for the morrow's needs were the human pioneers of the movement.

True Generosity.

There was a broad dissension between thrift and avarice. Whatever thrift was it was not avarice. True generosity could only proceed from thrift.

Of all the great philanthropists and benefactors the most generous of all must have been thrifty men.

All great empires had been thrifty, and the Roman Empire, when it ceased to be thrifty, degenerated.

Prussia and Germany were made by thrift. France was saved by her thrift. Thrift was not only essential in individuals, but was the surest and strongest quality of an empire. It was so necessary that no people could long exist who disregarded it.

Luxury Craze.

Unfortunately there were reasons for fearing that thrift was ceasing to be a national virtue. People openly derided it, and some went so far as to say that saving was wrong. There were others who, while approving, made no real effort to practise it. While the craze for pleasure and growth of luxury were adding so much to the expenses of life it had become difficult to save even when the disposition to do so existed.

It involved self-denial, self-restraint, and the wonderful habit of looking forward. The men and women who lived only for the present were not worth much, either to themselves or to the community.

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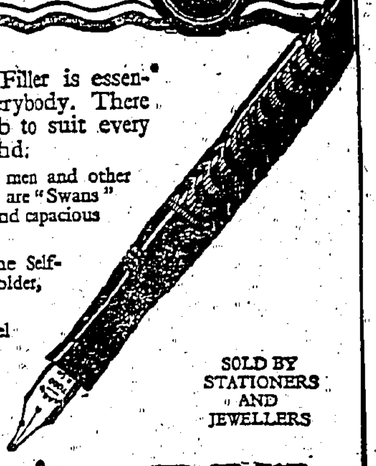

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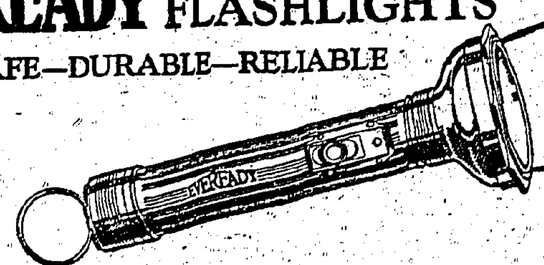

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STATE OF AFFAIRS AT HANKOW.

NATIONALIST MODERATES MOVING SLOWLY IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

MR. CHEN APOLOGISES TO BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL.

EXODUS OF AMERICAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

EVACUATIONS FROM OTHER PARTS OF CHINA.

WARNING BY CHAIRMAN OF LONDON CHINA ASSOCIATION.

Yesterday's news regarding Hankow was of a conflicting character. Evidently, however, the powers of persuasion of the moderate element among the Nationalists proved effective, for not only did Mr. Eugene Chen "profoundly apologise" to the British Consul-General for the vandalism at the British war memorial, but he is stated to have deprecated the evacuation from the British Concession and also to have expressed the hope that business would soon be resumed. So far, so good. But we seem to be quite a long way from "Business as Usual" in Hankow, Ichang and Kiukiang. And, it seems, the pleasing report that the British again control their Concession at Hankow, lacks confirmation. On the whole, the horizon seems clearer, but in the absence of details and of tangible evidence that Mr. Chen is really in a position to carry out what he guarantees, it will be just as well to have an open mind on the matter and be prepared to deal effectually with eventualities.

The very latest news to hand states that British subjects are leaving various places in Szechuan and other parts of China.

Until the Powers focus their attention on the Bolshevist menace in China and deal with it drastically, either directly or indirectly, there is little likelihood of settled conditions in this country.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRITISH LEAVING PARTS OF SZECHUAN AND ELSEWHERE.

PEKING, January 7th.

The evacuation of British men as well as women from Chengtu and elsewhere in Szechuan and other parts of Southern and Western China has begun in some places and all preparations therefor have been completed in others.

Altogether 60 American women and children have been evacuated at Hankow.

LONDON LIBERAL JOURNAL'S "WORD TO MR. CHEN."

LONDON, January 7th.

The *Daily News*, in "A word to Mr. Chen," hopes that he will make good his pledge to "keep the situation in hand." There is (it is added) no reason to suppose that the Canton Government, with the forces at its command, is unable to perform that imperative duty. If Mr. Chen and his associates are to justify their claim to be representative and a civilized administration, they must prove their instant readiness to perform one of the elementary functions of civilized society by defending the lives and property of peaceable citizens whether "extraterritorialists" or not against murderous riots. Leaders, like Mr. Chen, must be astute enough to realise that without foreign trade conducted in circumstances of reasonable security, they will have throttled "the goose that lays the golden eggs," and south-east China would be reduced economically to the status of a crude half-starved organism incapable of anything but slow, painful and laborious evolution from the beginning.

LLOYDS UNDERWRITERS' RATES ON CHINA CONCESSIONS.

LONDON, January 7th.

During the last few days Lloyds Underwriters have quoted a rate of five per cent. per month to cover the risk of damage to mercantile property in the foreign concessions of Hankow and one per cent. per month with regard to property in the foreign settlements of Shanghai and five per cent. for three months.

TROUBLESOME MOB AT KIUKIANG.

SHANGHAI, January 7th.

258 British women and children, also a few men, left for Shanghai early on Thursday morning.

At Kiukiang a riot on Thursday afternoon was directed against the Concession.

Chinese military and police arrived just in time to hold back the crowd. Later, the crowd broke in at the Bund gate but was prevented from entering the concession. Now all is quiet.

WHAT HANKOW CHINESE DEMAND.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Reports from Hankow, dated January 5th, state that the Chinese constables of the British Concession were that day able to free themselves from a mob of more than 10,000 by fighting their way out with their batons, injuring eight persons among the mob. The mob was later persuaded to disperse by the Garrison Commission and representatives of public organizations, including Mr. Chen Chun, of the Kuomintang.

A meeting of organizations in Hankow, on January 5th, decided to organize a committee to deal with the demand for the rendition of the British Concession.

A joint committee of farmers, workers, students, and merchants in Hankow has presented the Kuomintang with ten demands:—

1. Abolish opium within six months.
2. Abolish the surtax on salt.
3. Disband all irregular troops.
4. Punish all corrupt gentries.
5. Effect a unification of finance administration and prohibit individual officials levying miscellaneous taxes.
6. Restore as soon as possible all Government industries.
7. Have a regular budget for education and regulate all Mission schools.
8. Have regular channels for the redemption of all Kuomintang Central Bank notes.
9. Publish, at once, laws governing factories.
10. Prohibit all foot-binding and promote education among women.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

BRITISH WARSHIPS ON THE SCENE.

RUGBY, January 7th.

No fresh incidents are reported from Hankow, where the situation was yesterday described as quiet. The Chinese authorities have issued a proclamation guaranteeing the safety of British life and property. British warships, under Rear-Admiral Cameron, Commander of the British Yangtsze flotilla, lie alongside the quays of the British Concession.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS PRESS COMMENT.

PARIS, January 7th.

Most of the morning journals comment on Hankow.

"Pertinax," in the *Echo de Paris*, writes that the Cantonese hitherto have confined their attentions to the British, but the principles they proclaim affect all foreign Powers without distinction, and it was only for reasons of policy that they have so far respected the French and the Japanese concessions. He urges the Powers to defend Shanghai and the ports accessible to their warships, since trade with such centres develops in proportion as commerce becomes impossible in other parts of the country.

The *Gaulois* is of opinion that disunion among the Powers at a critical time would be particularly regrettable for the opportunities

(*Continued on next Column*).

THE STRUGGLE IN THE NORTH.

WHAT MARSHAL WU HAS DECIDED TO DO.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Reports from Chengchow state that Marshal Wu Pei Fu has decided to dispatch 80,000 men to recapture Hupeh, 60,000 to relieve Shensi and 40,000 to suppress the bandits in Honan. General Chang Ying Hua, of Shensi, is to raise monthly $7,000,000 for military expenses, and Marshal Chang Tso Lin of Mukden is being consulted for financial assistance.

that would thereby be given to the Soviets. It adds that Russian Bolshevism is doubtless without real influence, except in so far as to inflame Nationalist passions, but it will become a permanent danger to Europe unless the Powers agree on a common policy to check such anti-foreign frenzy.

[EARLIER TELEGRAMS.]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

What Private Telegrams State.

HANKOW, January 7th.

Private telegrams received in Shanghai state by arrangement with the Chinese military authorities, the British have resumed control of the Concession, and the Chinese soldiery, except the military police, have been withdrawn.

News Not Confirmed.

SHANGHAI, January 7th.

Advices said to have been received here privately from Hankow, to the effect that control of the Concession had been resumed by the British, are unconfirmed.

The latest naval wireless message from Hankow, dated yesterday night, states that the Concession is still in the hands of the Chinese military.

American women and children are now being evacuated.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Mr. Eugene Chen Apologises for the Vandals.

RUGBY, January 6th.

In view of the unruly behaviour of the Chinese demonstrators crowding into the British Concession at Hankow, the British Consul-General, as a precautionary measure, ordered last night the evacuation of all women and children.

They are being conveyed down river to Shanghai. The Concession was comparatively quiet last night although further demonstrations were rumoured.

The British Consulate was being guarded by Chinese troops.

Mr. Eugene Chen, Acting Foreign Minister of the Southern National Government, who is in Hankow, has tendered to the Consul-General profound apologies on behalf of himself and his Government for the desecration by the mob of the War Memorial in the British Concession and has promised that the damage shall be immediately repaired.

Mr. Chen's "Guarantee."

Mr. Chen has deprecated as unnecessary the evacuation of British women and children, stating that he would personally guarantee immunity from danger or trouble. He expresses a hope for speedy restoration of order and resumption of business.

A number of American women and children have also been evacuated from the United States Consulate-General at Hankow.

Kiukiang.

At Kiukiang, lower down the Yangtsze, all British women and children willing to leave were also evacuated to Shanghai yesterday on board the Jardine, Matheson steamer *Tuckwo*.

An incident, which has since been followed by demonstrations, occurred there at the beginning of the week, following the seizure of a smugglers' boats and cargoes by Customs officers.

A threatening mob was dispersed by Chinese soldiers whose officers apologised for the incident and promised to prevent its repetition. As it seemed possible that the situation might get beyond the control of the Chinese officials the British authorities decided that as a precaution women and children should be removed to safety.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A CHINESE REQUEST.

THAT BRITISH WARSHIPS REMAIN!

HANKOW, January 6th.

Chinese reports state that Mr. Chan Kwan, the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs here, has written to the British Consul-General in regard to the presence of British warships.

It is said that Mr. Chan made a request to the Consul that until the Hankow affair has been settled, none of the British warships should leave, for, in the event of anything untoward happening, the Kuomintang authorities could not be held responsible.

British Legation Officials Leave for Hankow.

PEKING, January 6th.

Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley, Councillor of the British Legation, and Mr. E. Teichman, Chinese Secretary of the British Legation, have left for Hankow.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE FORCES.

A 4,500,000-DOLLAR AIRSHIP.

ADVOCATES OF A "BIG NAVY" PLEASED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, January 7th.

The House of Representatives adopted an amendment to the Naval Supply Bill providing for the construction of an airship of replace the Shenandoah, and to cost $4,500,000.

The authorisation of a new airship has pleased the advocates of a "Big Navy," as the sum is in excess of the Budget estimates in which President Coolidge seeks to limit naval expenditure.

The House of Representatives, however, have voted down other amendments aiming at increasing the strength of the Air Force.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARNING FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, January 7th.

The *Morning Post* gives prominence to a letter from Mr. Leefe, Chairman of the London China Association, who calls attention to the enormous British interests in Shanghai, which, with the safety of some 7,000 British residents, will be gravely imperilled if the Cantonese capture Shanghai, unless adequate measures are taken for their protection.

He refers to the evacuation of women and children at Hankow says that it is unknown whether, in the last resort, British evacuation from Shanghai is also contemplated; but, if so, such evacuation would mean the end of British prestige in the Far East and be a ruinous blow to our commerce with China.

CUSTOMS AFFAIRS.

SIR FRANCIS AGLEN'S VISIT TO SHANGHAI

PEKING, Jan. 6th.

Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, left quietly for Shanghai on Monday.

It is understood that the object of Sir Francis' visit is to discuss Customs affairs with the Commissioner of Customs and bankers.

ARMS FOR "FRIENDS" IN SHANGHAI.

CHINESE FINED IN LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 6th.

A fine of £350 was imposed on Wing Ah Nang, a seaman of the Glen liner *Glengarry*, who pleaded guilty at London to illegally importing and concealing on the vessel 48 revolvers and 4,750 rounds of ammunition, which were found in a wooden case protecting the hot water pipes in the hold.

Prisoner said he brought them from Hamburg where they were brought to the *Glengarry* in a motor-boat and that he was going to take them to "friends" in Shanghai.

CEYLON RUBBER.

EXPORT FIGURES.

COLOMBO, Jan. 6th.

Ceylon rubber exports for December were 6,499 tons, with an exportable maximum of 5,000 tons, and export credits amounting to over 700 tons which were carried over from the month ending October 31st have now been used.

Ceylon rubber exports for 1926, totalled, 53,693 tons, the standard production for the fourth year of restriction being 70,475 tons.

BELGIUM AND BRITISH MEMORANDUM.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 6th.

The report that the French and Japanese reception of the British Memorandum on China has caused Belgium to revise her attitude, is stated, in well-informed circles here, to be incorrect.

M. Vandervelde, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, is now closely examining the Memorandum, but nothing has occurred to modify the first favourable impression produced in Belgian official circles by the document.

BETWEEN LONDON AND NEW YORK.

INTENSE INTEREST MANIFESTED IN THE NEW TELEPHONY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

Intense interest is being displayed on both sides of the Atlantic in to-day's inauguration of a wireless telephonic service between London and New York. The opening will be marked by a spoken exchange of greetings between Sir Evelyn Murray, Secretary of the Post Office and Mr. Walter Gifford, President of the American Telephones Company.

Thereafter, calls by subscribers in both cities will receive attention, and bookings are so heavy that the service promises to be working to full capacity throughout the day.

To facilitate to-day's working at Rugby, which is the British transmitting station for service, no British Official Press message will be despatched at eight o'clock to-night.

To-night's midnight press message will be sent as usual and to-morrow normal transmissions will be resumed and thereafter maintained.

THE "MOTHS" GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

NEARING INDIA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

The two small Moth aeroplanes are now within a single stage of India, having arrived from Jask at Charbar yesterday. Their flight from London is the most remarkable ever undertaken by low-powered machines.

DAME ELLEN TERRY.

SLIGHTLY IMPROVED IN HEALTH.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Although still very weak, a slight improvement was reported yesterday in the condition of the famous actress, Dame Ellen Terry.

BRITISH POLITICS.

A STALWART OF THE LIBERALS RETURNS TO THE FOLD.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Sir Herbert Samuel, formerly High Commissioner of Palestine, and Chairman of last year's Coal Commission, has returned to domestic politics, having accepted the Presidency of the Paddington Liberal Association. Sir Herbert held ministerial posts in Liberal Governments until Mr. Asquith's resignation in 1916.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

LONDON, January 7th.

An official communication from Cap Ferrat with reference to the condition of the Duke of Connaught, says that the Duke was unwell a little while back, but has now recovered.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NICARAGUA'S CIVIL WAR.

U.S. PROTECTING "LIFE AND PROPERTY."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6th.

The Navy Department announces that reinforcements, consisting of two cruisers, three destroyers, one submarine, one tender and 400 Marines are being despatched to Nicaragua, in order to enable Admiral Latimer thoroughly to protect American lives and property.

Students Protesting.

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 6th.

Protests against American policy in Nicaragua were voiced at a meeting last night of the student organisation known as the Anti-Imperialist League.

Several Socialist Deputies addressed the gathering.

U.S. BARRACKS FIRE.

£20,000 DAMAGE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6th.

Fire destroyed three two-storey wooden barracks and a workshop at the military prison on Governors Island.

The damage is estimated at over £20,000.

KEEPING TO AERIAL TIME TABLE.

BRITISH MINISTER'S FLIGHT TO INDIA.

NOW AT KARACHI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

KARACHI, January 7th.

Sir Samuel Hoare's air liner has arrived.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 6th.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for the Air, Lady Maud Hoare and Air Vice-Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond landed at Karachi at 5.25 this afternoon. This is the first long distance passenger flight ever carried out to a pre-arranged time table of hours and minutes. So closely has time table been followed that after flying four thousand eight hundred thirty-five miles the air liner was actually ten minutes early on arrival at Jask on the Persian Gulf.

Here the only delay on the whole flight occurred, violent sandstorms delaying the air liner for a day.

Despite this delay, however, India was reached from London in eleven days—the shortest time in which passengers have ever travelled between these two points. The Journey was accomplished by flying in daylight only, every night being spent comfortably at pre-arranged halts.

A Welcome Being Prepared at Delhi.

RUGBY, January 7th.

Sir Samuel Hoare is due to leave Karachi for Jodhpur to-day by the De Havilland Hercules biplane by which, in the company with Lady Maud Hoare, he has flown from London in eleven days.

Preparations are being made for receiving Sir Samuel at Delhi to-morrow.

Lady Maud's flight is the longest yet undertaken by a woman.

DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK'S DEPARTURE.

PORTSMOUTH'S FAREWELL.

BATTLESHIPS' SALUTE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, January 6th.

The Duke and Duchess of York's train arrived at Portsmouth Dockyard at one o'clock in the afternoon, in bright sunshine, and drew up at the railway jetty, alongside which H.M.S. *Renown* was moored. The Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth and others greeted them and when they boarded the *Renown*, the Duke's Standard was broken at the mainmast and the ships in harbour fired a Royal Salute. H.M.S. *Renown* sailed at 1.30 amid an outburst of cheers.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

A Royal Send-Off.

RUGBY, January 6th.

The battlecruiser *Renown* left Portsmouth at 1.30 this afternoon bearing the Duke and Duchess on their voyage to Australia and New Zealand. The Prince of Wales, Prince Henry and Prince George travelled with them from London to Portsmouth and accompanied them on board the warship. The scene of embarkation was most picturesque. The decks and gun turrets of the great vessel, which in the brilliant sun shone like a silver ship, were lined with sailors in their blue with white collars linked arm in arm. As the Duke stepped on board his standard was broken at the masthead and there was a crash of twenty-one guns as the vessels in harbour fired the Royal salute while the royal party were "piped on" by the boatswain in accordance with old custom which prevailed in the days when Nelson boarded the "Victory."

Marine Guard in Blue and Gold.

The Prince of Wales as senior officer took the inspection of the guard of honour of 100 Royal Marines assembled on the quarter deck. They presented a striking picture in their blue and gold uniforms with white pith helmets caught by sunlight. Within half an hour farewells had been said, the Princes returned ashore and the *Renown* slipped her moorings. All ships in harbour were dressed and manned, syrens were sounded while the guns of battleships *Iron Duke*, *Marlborough*, *Benbow* and *Emperor of India* simultaneously crashed out a magnificent Royal Salute. The Duke and Duchess appeared on the promenade deck waving last goodbyes to the Princes and the cheering crowds.

Four destroyers escorted the *Renown* until sunset and five giant flying-boats also accompanied them round the Isle of Wight.

BEAM WIRELESS AND TELEPHONY.

NEW ENGLISH STATIONS NOW READY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, January 7th.

Short wave wireless beam stations at Grimsby and Skegness for communication with Australia are now ready for handing over by the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. to the Post Office for seven days official tests. During unofficial tests speeds of over 300 per minute have been attained.

Meanwhile, satisfactory tests of wireless telephony communication with Canada have been made by Marconis and have established that whenever high-speed wireless telegraphic services on the beam system are possible telephony services can also be carried on simultaneously, if a separate transmitter be installed.

The Official Opening.

RUGBY, January 6th.

Trans-Atlantic wireless telephony service between London and New York opens officially to-morrow.

It is an epoch-making event. Telephony by wireless was accomplished a quarter of a century ago, but it was then in such a form as to be impracticable for ordinary commercial usage. It had to await the advent of the thermonic valve, which has revolutionised wireless communication. Beginning with quite a small size, such as is used in the local broadcasting of to-day, the valve has been increased in power year by year until to-day large power valve transmitters of 200 kilomatts capacity are in service for telephony between London and New York.

How "The Trick" Is Done.

What happens in a conversation is that when a subscriber in London speaks, say from his office, his voice currents pass to a trunk exchange and thence along special underground long-distance cables to the wireless station at Rugby. There they undergo transformation which converts them into wireless waves, which pass across the Atlantic to Houlton, in Maine, where the receiving arrangements of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. are installed. From Houlton, they pass by a land line, for 600 miles to New York long-distance exchange and thence to the intended recipient.

The Reply.

When a New York subscriber replies, his voice currents pass to the long-distance exchange and thence along underground cables for 70 miles to the wireless station on Long Island. Here they are transformed into wireless waves and traverse the ocean to Wroughton, near Swindon, where a Post Office receiver converts the wireless waves back into voice frequency currents, suitable for transmission along underground cables to the London trunk exchange and thence to the subscriber.

Switching Devices.

In order to economise ether space, both transmission and reception are worked on the same wave-length. This necessitates the use of switching dveices which are controlled by the voice in such a way that when a subscriber in London speaks his circuit to New York is switched on, and the circuit from New York to London is switched off. As soon as he ceases speaking the switches are restored automatically, and when the New York subscriber replies his voice works the switches so that he is connected to London and the circuit and New York incoming from London is temporarily cut off. This to and from process goes on automatically all the time the conversation is proceeding.

DISEASE DUE TO TULIPS.

PERIL OF HANDLING BULBS.

A strange disease, caught in the handling of bulbs, is revealed by Dr. Sibyl Overton, writing in a recent issue of the *Lancet*.

"Lily rash," from cutting the stems of narcissi and other flowers, has been known to occur among flower workers in Jersey and the Scilly Isles, but investigations have recently been made concerning dermatitis among the people who handle flower bulbs.

A splitting of the skin under the finger-nail, accompanied by pain and disability, becomes evident in some cases after only a few days' work on bulbs. The workers questioned blamed the tulips principally.

Dr. Overton attributes this to the fact that the tulip bulb is peculiar in being protected by only a single layered and rather rigid testa which splits easily.

Daffodils, narcissi, and hyacinths are more thickly wrapped, and bring about a different manifestation of the dermatitis.

Further observation of this out-of-the-way disease is being made by doctors.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM NEW YORK via SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Steamer "DOLIUS" are hereby notified that the Cargo having arrived per s.s. "DEMODOCUS" from Singapore will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 7th January.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon, within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 27th January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

7th January, 1927. [4412

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S.S. "D'ARTAGNAN."

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLES, &c., also Cargo from BORDEAUX ex s.s. "ROLLON," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless instructions are received from the Consignees 12 hours before arrival requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 12th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Saturday, the 15th instant, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors: Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 12th instant.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE
Agent.

Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927. [4409

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

FROM NEW YORK & SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Motor Vessel "WEIRBANK" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 14th January, 1927, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 21st January, 1927, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 14th January, 1927, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD.,
General Agents.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927. [4411

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD. COPENHAGEN.

THE Motorship "JAVA" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence Delivery may be obtained.

This vessel grounded off Lisbon and on part of her cargo on board prior to the accident a General Average of 15% will have to be paid by Consignees, unless same has been adjusted by shippers in Copenhagen, which information shall be supplied on presentation of Bills of Lading.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th January, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the 12th January, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 17th January, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, Jan., 7th, 1917. [4414

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s STEAMER "MOREA."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON 7TH JANUARY, 1927.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, MALTA, PORTSAID, ADEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed AT THEIR RISK in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary 8 hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors MESSRS. GODDARD & DOUGLAS at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 27th January, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927. [4408

PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK

THE Motor Vessel "JAPANESE PRINCE" having arrived from the above Port on 3rd instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Saturday, 8th instant, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within Fifteen days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th instant, will be subject to Rent.

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Hong Kong, 3rd January, 1927. [4384

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FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON, STRAITS AND PHILIPPINES.

The Steamship "BENLEDI."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th instant will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th instant, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 4th January, 1927. [4386

ATLANTIC SHIPPING CONTROL.

BRITAIN'S PREDOMINANCE.

In British shipping circles the acquisition by a British company of the White Star fleet has aroused justifiable satisfaction. Originally a purely British enterprise, the White Star organisation passed under alien control almost a quarter of a century ago on the formation of the famous Morgan Shipping Trust. There was much lamentation at the time, and in some pessimistic quarters the absorption by powerful American interests of the White Star and other prominent British lines, including the Red Star, the Atlantic Transport and the Leyland, was regarded as a sure sign that the death-knell of Britain's shipping supremacy, at all events in the North Atlantic, had been sounded. But the dismal prophecies of 1902 have not been fulfilled. Independent British shipping companies engaged in the North Atlantic trade, notably the Cunard, have not only maintained their prosperity but have achieved fresh successes. On the other hand, the great American combine, most of whose vessels continued to fly the British flag, has had a somewhat variegated financial experience, disappointing alike to its shareholders and to the high hopes of its original sponsors. Years of effort have not enabled it to overcome the initial defect of excessive capitalisation, a defect common to big American consolidations aiming at a monopoly. Very prudently those who control the destinies of the International Mercantile Marine Company have now determined to abandon what was, after all, a hopeless struggle and to seek their fortunes in a new sphere of adventure the upshot of which must remain obscure. They are surrendering the ownership of foreign-flag tonnage, and by placing themselves in a position to purchase the State-owned fleet of the ill-starred United States Shipping Board are immolating themselves on the altar of national self-sacrifice.

State Enterprise that Failed.

Nobody will be inclined to blame them. They are called upon to fill the patriotic rôle of taking over from a State Department the vessels which the United States built and acquired as a war-time measure. They can do that only by disposing of foreign tonnage and providing themselves with the means of paying the comparatively moderate price demanded for a fleet which under State ownership signally failed to justify its existence as a commercial proposition. In the task or duty they have assumed they are scarcely to be envied. Yet that, after all, is their own affair. Willing sellers, they will have little difficulty in discovering willing purchasers in this country so long as the terms they are prepared to accept are reasonable. The price to be paid for the White Star fleet may at first sight appear large, though in relation to the tonnage, control of which is secured by the acquisition of the Oceanic Company's capital, it is very far from being excessive according to post-war standards. In any case, we may safely assume that so astute an authority on the earning capacity of shipping as Lord Kylsant has made what should prove to be an excellent bargain for the shareholders of the Royal Mail Company. That undertaking already, with its vast interests in South America, the Pacific and West Indies, and its association with Union-Castle services to South and East Africa, controls directly or indirectly more tonnage than any other shipping organisation. With the White Star fleet added, its predominance will be still more formidable.

The Morgan Shipping Trust.

The next step in the virtual dissolution of the Morgan Shipping Trust as originally constituted will be awaited with curiosity. The declarations of the Chairman of the United States Shipping Board certainly suggest that that body, far from placing any obstacle in the way of any plans the Mercantile Marine Company may be formulating for selling the remainder of its foreign-flag tonnage, will be inclined to accelerate their execution. The efforts of the Shipping Board to obtain anything like acceptable bids for a fleet that has proved more of an embarrassment than a source of profit have hitherto proved abortive. Of seven offers received five have been already rejected, and if the remaining two, to be considered to-day, are likewise turned down, the way will be clear for the Mercantile Marine Company, about to be provided with funds, to make proposals to the would-be sellers more attractive than any previously put forward. No difficulty need be anticipated in finding purchasers for the other fleets now owned by the Morgan Trust. Several British shipowners are understood to be quite anxious to imitate the Royal Mail Company's example. Their recent experience may not have been altogether satisfactory, as is proved by the passing or reduction of interim dividends. But their faith in the future of British shipping is unimpaired. The recent large orders given to British shipyards for new tonnage is proof of their confidence and characteristic of their buoyant spirit of enterprise. Opportunities of obtaining possession of ready-made fleets, well organised and operating over popular routes will, we feel sure, be taken advantage of as they arise. In this way the supremacy of British shipping, never, if the truth were known, seriously menaced, will be assured beyond challenge.—*Financial Times.*

ENGLAND'S AIR DEFENCE.

GEN. ASHMORE'S ACCOUNT.

THE LATEST ORGANISATION.

New light on the measures being taken to safeguard England from future air attack was shed by Major-General E. B. Ashmore, Commanding the T. A. Air Defence Formations, in a recent lecture at the Royal United Service Institution, with General Sir Walter Braithwaite, G.O.C.-in-C., Eastern Command, in the chair. The lecturer began with an historical review of air defence in the war, showing how air attack and air defence both started from infancy and grew up in a series of bounds, and from our experience in overcoming in turn the Zeppelin raids, day aeroplane and then night aeroplane raids, deduced as a first principle that air and ground defence must be under one hand. He discussed the two schools of thought—that which argued that the only answer was to bomb the enemy, and the other, which might be called the parish-pump school, which idea was to place the defences close round each vulnerable object.

Ground Organisation.

Quoting examples from the war to show that air retaliation was not a complete cure, General Ashmore considered that while the fighting aeroplane was the first and principal means of defence, it demanded a large ground organisation, and that there would be times and places when ground defence would be the only way. At present our home organisation comprised two Air Defence Brigades—each of two artillery brigades, a searchlight battalion, and a signal company—as well as eleven searchlight companies for co-operation with the air, the new Observer Corps, and we were experimenting with a system of coast reporting. In 1924, after they had been two years in existence, the A.A. brigades only averaged 100 apiece, but by intensive recruiting they had been raised to about 400, or 80-90 per cent. of establishment. The accepted principle that the Territorial Army was essentially a training cadre for expansion, when the emergency came, did not apply to Air Defence troops, who must be at full strength and fully trained, because their test might come in the first hours of war. A "peace" establishment was a misnomer, though we might for a time restrict the inflow of recruits owing to the improvement in the world situation. The strength of the searchlight companies for air co-operation was less satisfactory, partly because of the difficulty of building new headquarters until we were sure of sufficient recruits, and in consequence we were in a vicious circle—we could not build until we got recruits, and we could not get recruits until we built. Hired headquarters were inadequate, socially and militarily, as well as unsuitable for the storage of delicate and costly equipment.

Improvements in Gunnery.

After an outline of the special problems of A.A. fire, the lecturer gave details of the improvement in shooting, due, partly, to the new Vickers predictor and to more realistic target practice—the percentage of hits had risen from 3 per cent. to 11 per cent. in the last three years. In search-light work the aimless waving of the searchlight "patrols" was no more, and the training, as well as the system, had advanced, so that next year the units were to train on their actual fighting zones and with their own fighting machines.

Coming to the new Observer Corps, General Ashmore said that the principle was that no enemy aeroplane could fly over this country without information being received instantly and constantly at Air Defence headquarters. They were organising a network of observation posts—manned by special constables, six to eight miles apart, and connected by direct telephone with district observation centres, which were connected to Air Defence headquarters. Last year the whole of Kent and Sussex had been covered, and this had now been extended to embrace South-East England from the borders of Dorset to Suffolk. Each post had two observers, with a simple apparatus for gauging the height and course of the aeroplane; they gave the course direct to the county centre, where there were nine "plotters," each covering three posts, who marked it on the map by counters of different colours for the five-minute periods of each quarter of an hour. The lay-out of the posts was settled in consultation with the General Post Office and the chief constables, and as the observers' service was given free the cost was only about 10s. for the apparatus at each post, a small amount for General Post Office telephone construction, and an annual charge of about £150 per zone for maintenance and use of lines during test.

GIANT BEACON FOR AIRMEN.

A beacon of a thousand million candle-power, said to be the most powerful in the world, has been inaugurated on Mont Valerien—a hill just outside Paris—where it has been erected to facilitate air navigation.

CLASS POWER.

VISCOUNT GREY ON WORKING CLASS RESPONSIBILITY AND ITS ABUSE.

"If I were asked to sum up in one sentence the quality which most helped the English race in its development, I think it has been the power to combine a passion for individual liberty with a sense of the necessity for order," said Viscount Grey of Fallodon at the Guildhouse, Eccleston-square, in an address on "The National Genius of England."

"We have gone through a year of the greatest industrial disturbance that any of us remembers," said Lord Grey. "There have been instances of disorder, but considering what the state of things was, considering the issues involved, and the intensity of the strife, when we consider how remarkably little disorder there was, I do not believe you can say there has ever been a stronger instance of the sense of the British people that life must be orderly than there has been in the great trial this year of the strikes we have been through.

Community Sense and Class Selfishness.

What is the future going to be? Hitherto, when any one class has abused power in its own interest, the remedy has been to invest the class below it with power in order to protect itself. Now the wage-earning class is the most numerous, and the future of the country depends very greatly upon how the various classes, and especially the most numerous class, will exercise the power which they now have. What I trust will happen in the future is this. If any one class, even though it be the most numerous, attempts to use that power solely for its own interests at the expense of the others, it will find there is a community sense in the nation which will prevent such abuse."

MOTOR SHIP CONSTRUCTION.

BRITISH YARDS LEADING.

According to *The Motor Ship*, contracts have been awarded to British and foreign yards since the beginning of last October for large motor ships with a carrying capacity of 430,000 tons. Of these craft, over half, with a tonnage of 230,000 are to be built in British yards. This is more than double the motor tonnage ordered in the same period in any other country, Germany being second with vessels—a large proportion for foreign ownership—of about 10,000 tons deadweight. In view of the numberous contracts that have recently been placed, it may be considered that whilst there will be no boom in shipbuilding, a return towards stability is now assured.

A MODERN INQUISITION.

400 QUESTIONS TO U.S.A. GIRL STUDENTS.

Two hundred and fifty girl students at Bucknell University, Pennsylvania, have protested against the action of the Faculty in submitting to them a questionnaire seeking the most intimate details of their lives.

Their protests, in which they are joined by their parents, states that out of 400 questions submitted 38 are "embarrassing and personal."

One, for instance, asks the students to give details of their personal habits, their love affairs, if any, and their attitude towards love.

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The students at a meeting drafted a long resolution protesting against the questionnaire.

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s STEAMER "DEVANHA."

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo from Persian Gulf ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.S.N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary Six hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's surveyors Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 26th January, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
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Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927. [4397

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Steamer "SARPEDON" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 6th January.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 26th January or they will not be recognised.

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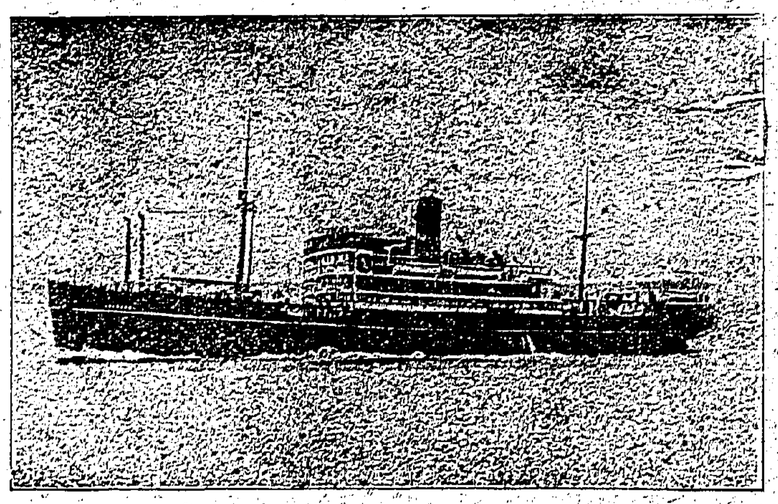

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SWATOW & BANGKOK ..	"KAYING"	... On 10th Jan.,	10 a.m.
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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO ...	"CHENAN"	... On 13th Jan.,	6 a.m.
BANGKOK ...	"CHINHUA"	... On 13th Jan.,	6 a.m.
SAIGON ...	"CHANGCHOW"	... On 13th Jan.,	Noon.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	... On 13th Jan.,	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI ...	"SINKIANG"	... On 15th Jan.,	6 a.m.
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ARRIVALS.

January 6th.

D'Artagnan, French str., 9,608 tons, Capt. Y. Monod, from Marseilles and Saigon. The former port she left on December 4th and the latter on January 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—Messageries Maritimes.

Suiyang, British str., 1,504 tons, Capt. P. R. Purslow, from Canton, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. B7.—B. & S.

Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Cheng Yung Fat, from Autaug with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

Waishing, British str., 1,170 tons, Capt. J. W. Lindsay, from Canton, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. B32.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

January 7th.

City of Winnipeg, British str., 3,931 tons, Capt. E. E. Bulkeley, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 3rd, with sulphate of amonia and tin plate, lying at buoy No. A32.—Bank Line.

Demodocus, British str., 5,864 tons, Capt. J. L. Sprott, from Singaport, which port she left on January 1st, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Hiram, Norwegian str., 1,108 tons, Capt. S. Eliason, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17.—Thoresen & Co.

Malwa, British str., 5,974 tons, Capt. T. C. E. Dayas, from Yokohama and Shanghai. The latter port she left on January 4th, with silk and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Morea, British str., 5,975 tons, Capt. E. J. Thornton, R.D., R.N.R., from London, which port she left on December 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Phnumpenh, British str., 1,065 tons, Capt. A. W. Hall, from Saigon and Touranc. The latter port she left on January 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10.—Wo Fat Shing.

Romolo, Italian motor ship, 6,083 tons, Capt. C. Antonio, from Trieste *viâ* Singapore. The latter port she left on January 1st, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3.—Dodwell & Co.

Szechuen, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. R. Shearer, from Canton, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Tonkin, French str., 846 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43.—Messageries Maritimes.

Yuan Jeng, Chinese str., 906 tons, Capt. F. Muller, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C41.—Yuen Shing Fat.

Yuen Sang, British str., 1,983 tons, Capt. J. H. Ferguson, from Durban and Saigon. The latter port she left on January 2nd, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. B7.—Bank Line.

CLEARANCES.

January 7th.

Demodocus, for Takao.
Doonholm, for Shanghai.
Hai Ning, for Swatow.
Malwa, for Singapore.
Malacca Maru, for Singapore.
Meiji Maru, for Tamsui.
Morea, for Shanghai.
Romolo, for Shanghai.
Seiyo Maru, for Moji.
Shingo Maru, for Singapore.
Shun Lee, for Tsingtao.
Szechuen, for Shanghai.
Tonkin, for Haiphong.
Weirbank, for Shanghai.
West Ivan, for Manila.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR JANUARY, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date.	*Sunrise.*	*Sunset.*
January 8th	7.05 a.m.	5.55 p.m.
,, 9th	7.05 ,,	5.56 ,,
,, 10th	7.05 ,,	5.57 ,,
,, 11th	7.06 ,,	5.57 ,,
,, 12th	7.06 ,,	5.58 ,,
,, 13th	7.06 ,,	5.58 ,,
,, 14th	7.06 ,,	5.59 ,,
,, 15th	7.06 ,,	6.00 ,,
,, 16th	7.06 ,,	6.00 ,,
,, 17th	7.06 ,,	6.01 ,,
,, 18th	7.05 ,,	6.02 ,,
,, 19th	7.05 ,,	6.02 ,,
,, 20th	7.05 ,,	6.03 ,,
,, 21st	7.05 ,,	6.04 ,,
,, 22nd	7.05 ,,	6.04 ,,
,, 23rd	7.05 ,,	6.05 ,,
,, 24th	7.05 ,,	6.06 ,,
,, 25th	7.05 ,,	6.06 ,,
,, 26th	7.04 ,,	6.07 ,,
,, 27th	7.04 ,,	6.08 ,,
,, 28th	7.04 ,,	6.09 ,,
,, 29th	7.04 ,,	6.10 ,,
,, 30th	7.03 ,,	6.10 ,,
,, 31st	7.03 ,,	6.11 ,,

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Demodocus*, from Singapore, on Jan. 7th:—Mr. O'Reilly and C. Ross.

Per s.s. *Malwa*, from Yokohama *via* Shanghai, on January 7th:—Mr. R. H. Madsen, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fischer and Miss Fischer, Mr. J. H. Scott, Mr. F. M. Weller, Mr. and Mrs. C. Terrell, Mr. F. Miller, Mr. C. Lane, Mr. M. Sabnani, Mr. R. W. Rice, Rev. E. L. and Mrs. Andrews and three children, Dr. and Mrs. N. Found and three children, Mr. J. Gottwall, Mr. F. E. Martin, Mr. C. Breyer, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Williams, Madame Tirbak, Mr. C. H. Benson, Mr. M. Axelrood, Mr. H. C. Reaker, Mrs. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Thurston, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Anderson and child, Mr. H. W. Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Elliott, Mr. G. Menasche, Miss F. A. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Pontsina, Miss E. Millard, Mr. F. D. Smith, Mr. N. D. Fairfax, Mrs. B. Thompson, Mr. G. Spriggs, Miss A. Davis, Miss G. Fox, Miss M. Ewing, Mrs. Rees and infant, Mr. A. T. Gomery, Mrs. Roper and child, Mr. and Mrs. Cook, Mr. E. Atkinson, Mr. J. Brown, Mr. T. Hackett, Mr. W. L. Gyles, Mr. T. P. Graham, Mr. L. Donovan, Mr. F. H. Wilson, Miss M. Rudge, Miss J. M. Robinson, Mrs. J. Woods and three children, Mr. R. Bowden, Mr. D. Jones, and Mr. H. L. Baggalley.

Per s.s. *D'Artagnan*, on January 6th, from Marseilles and ports:—Mr. Colin, Mr. F. Z. de Ayala, Mr. A. Bautista, Miss Cu Usychng, Miss Morton, Miss C. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gordon, Mr. T. E. Fitzpatrick, Mr. J. B. V. Baker, Mr. J. Duchaine, Mr. Waelle, Mrs. and Miss Werbert, Mrs. Braun, Mr. Cammiade, Mrs. Fredet, Mr. and Mrs. Michaux, Mrs. Tseng, Mr. Schindler, Mr. and Mrs. Priou, Mr. and Mrs. Blondeau, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Duval, Mr. Deville, Mr. W. G. Nops, Miss R. Crespel, Mr. G. Kowaki, Mr. and Mrs. Mitsui, Mr. Sawada, Mr. Mijsberg, Mr. T. L. Cochiane, Marquis Tokugawa, Mr. J. Rodero, Mr. and Mrs. Gedeon, Mrs. Coude, Mr. Douillet, Mr. and Mrs. Quintos and baby, Miss Quintos, Misses L. S. Osborn, A. E. Heely, Rev. P. Cardon, Mrs. Cantorvitch and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Gouget, Rev. P. J. Vermulen, Rev. P. Frederc Foure, Mr. and Mrs. Barberot, Mr. and Mrs. Tardiveau, Miss Maugeard, and Miss Gaudissart.

Per s.s. *Morea*, from London *via* ports, on January 7th:—For Hong Kong: Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Post, Mr. R. Lanigan, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jeffries and Miss Jeffries, Mr. W. G. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. A. Calvert and three children, Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodward and infant, Mr. R. G. Groundwater, Miss Groundwater, Mr. H. G. Hallam, Capt. M. Costello, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grimmett and six children, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gardner, Pay-Comdr. K. E. Badcock, Mr. J. G. Smart, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Prosses and two children Miss Hoare, Mr. J. A. MacKinlay, Mrs. M. C. Watson, Mrs. A. Dawson and child, Mrs. M. A. Spencelayh and two children, Mr. E. J. Cotton, Mr. G. Weeding, Pay-Lt.-Cdr. Morrissey, Pay-Lt. D. S. Wareham, Pay-Lt. A. G. Spears, Mr. R. Hooper, Miss E. R. Mow Fung, Lt.-Cdr. T. Taylor, C.P.O. T. O. Mantle, Capt. C. F. Sparrow, Lt. A. N. Watling, Lt. C. R. V. Pugh, Lt. H. R. N. Nicholl, Mr. W. D. Chandler, Mrs. A. Nicholl, Mr. and Mrs. D. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Porter and three children, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Bates and two children, Miss Bates, Mr. W. J. Goodfellow, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hopper, Surg.-Lt. J. Way, Mr. W. F. White, Miss N. W. Bascombe, Mr. R. A. Bates, Vice-Admiral Sir R. Y. and Lady Tyrwhitt, the Misses P. and M. Tyrwhitt, Miss Vidal (Governess), Mr. and Mrs. J. C. West, Mr. A. Dawson, Mr. A. C. Hynes, C.P.O. B. B. Lewis, Miss E. Welch, Mr. R. Watson, Sister Mary Watson, Miss S. K. Laird, Misc H. M. Gordon, Mr. S. Young, and Mr. W. Kay.

(*Continued on next Column*).

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. *President Cleveland*, for Manila, on January 7th:—Mr. J. J. Harrington, Capt. V. F. Browne, Mr. Chas. A. Clear, Mrs. Ruth Clear, Mr. Barbara Clear, Mr. W. Easton, Mrs. D. Ellison, Dr. A. Bautista, Mr. L. M. Cohn, Miss E Ou Unling, Mr. F. F. de Ayala, Dr. and Mrs. A. Quinois and infant, Miss G. Quinois, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tenell, Mr. F. Miller, Mr. K. Waelle, Mr. B. Boulliet, Miss L. Tongsan, Mr. V. Assanmal, Mr. and Mrs. Hoges, Mrs. Mabel Luther and Mr. Richard Luther.

CHEAP PASSAGES TO CANADA.

Special Atlantic steerage rates came into operation on New Year's Day that are said to be the lowest in the history of shipping. These rates apply only between England and Canada, and are to be restricted to "assisted" emigrants who are crossing the Atlantic in order to work either on the land or in domestic service. The reduction is the result of negotiations between the home and Canadian Governments and the shipping companies, and is from the existing low charge of £3 down to £2 only. This works out at over 12 miles of Atlantic travel; with board and lodgings included, for a penny, which beats even the most ambitious effort of the L.C.C. tramways. That a great many emigrants will take advantage of these record rates is a confident belief at Canada House, and special free medical boards are to be set up to examine would-be adventurers West. Last year's figure of 1,000 emigrant servant girls is likely next year to be quadrupled.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Yokohama on January 6th, left on January 7th, and is due here on January 14th.

WITHIN CALL.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong to-day:—*President Cleveland, Van Overstraten, Sarpedon, Taiping, Shantung, Java, Tjisondari, Agra, Kalgan, Tonkin, D'Artagnan, Kibi Maru, No. 15, Macassar Maru, Shinyo Maru, Kohoku Maru, Morea, Taikwa Maru*, and *Malacca Maru*.

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SINGAPORE & PENANG ..	"YUENSANG	Tuesday,	11th Jan., at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"KWONGSANG"	Wednesday,	12th Jan., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"HINSANG"	Wednesday,	12th Jan., at 2 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ...	"FOOKSANG"	Saturday,	15th Jan., at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW ...	"MINGSANG"	Saturday,	15th Jan., at 8 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"HOPSANG"	Sunday,	16th Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via MOJI & KOBE...	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday,	19th Jan., at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"KWAISANG"	Wednesday,	19th Jan., at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"YATSHING"	Sunday,	23rd Jan., at 7 a.m.
KOBE via MOJI ...	"SUISANG"	Sunday,	23rd Jan., at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"FOOSHING"	Wednesday,	26th Jan., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ...	"KUMSANG"	Wednesday,	26th Jan., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"MAUSANG"	Friday,	28th Jan., at 1 p.m.

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"GLENAMOY" ...	... 7th Feb.	"GLENOGLE" ...	9th March	
"GLENGARRY" ...	...17th Feb.			
"GLENAPP" ...	... 3rd Mar.			
"GLENLUCE" ...	...20th Mar.			

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21

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ANGERS ...B ...	—	—	18th Jan., 1927
D'ARTAGNAN ...A ...	3rd Dec., 1926	5th Jan., 1927	1st Feb., "
SPHINX ...A ...	17th Dec., "	19th Jan., "	15th Feb., "
ANGKOR ...B ...	31st Dec., "	2nd Feb., "	1st Mar., "
PORTHOS ...A ...	14th Jan., 1927	16th Feb., "	15th Mar., "
PAUL LECAT ..A ...	28th Jan., "	2nd Mar., "	29th Mar., "

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*KOREA MARU	Sunday,	6th Feb., at Noon
SHINYO MARU	Tuesday,	22nd Feb., at Noon
*SIBERIA MARU	Sunday,	6th March, at Noon

*Calls Los Angeles.

SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

RAKUYO MARU	Saturday,	15th Jan., at Noon
GINYO MARU	Middle of February,	1927.

MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Ports.

SUWA MARU	Saturday,	15th Jan., at 11 a.m.
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday,	29th Jan., at 11 a.m.
HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday,	12th Feb., at 11 a.m.

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NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

TASUNO MARU	Thursday,	10th Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.

TAJIMA MARU	Saturday,	5th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.

KAMAKURA MARU	Saturday,	5th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

TAMBA MARU	Tuesday,	11th Jan.
RANGOON MARU	Saturday,	22nd Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

PENANG MARU	Wednesday,	19th Jan.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU	Saturday,	21st Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HAKUSAN MARU	Monday,	10th Jan.
SWEDEN MARU	Monday,	10th Jan.
AKITA MARU	Thursday,	13th Jan.
KITANO MARU	Tuesday,	25th Jan.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Shipping Notes, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S STATEMENTS.

LOCAL AND THROUGH FREIGHTS DECREASE.

FOUR STEAMERS ARRIVE IN BALLAST.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were 16 vessels which came into port, of which, 11 were British. Freights discharged here and carried for ports beyond Hong Kong showed a decrease, particularly freights for Hong Kong, which have fallen by almost 200 per cent.

Imports of general merchandise into the Colony amounted to 5,798 tons, of which, 5,425 tons were carried by 8 British steamers. The best returns were shown by two British vessels. The s.s. *Pheumpenh* arriving from Saigon and Tourane unloaded 1,700 tons and the *City of Winnipeg*, from Sydney, and Shanghai also discharged 1,035 tons.

Through freights were manifested on 7 steamers, and although amounting to a five figure total were still below the average. The total tonnage carried was 14,508 tons, of which, 8,428 tons were registered by 5 British steamers.

The best returns were on the Italian vessel *Romolo*, from Trieste and Singapore, which carried 5,800 tons and the s.s. *Demodocus* (British) arriving from London and Singapore had 4,097 tons.

During the same period there were 16 arrivals and 17 departures. Their nationalities were:—British, 11 arrivals and 9 departures; Japanese, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Chinese, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Dutch, 1 departure; French, 1 departure and Italian, 1 arrival.

Vessels in port during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday totalled 66, of which, 30 were British.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entered into Hong Kong during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 882.

Under the heading of Asiatic deck passengers on the report made to the Harbour Office by the master of the s.s. *Devanha*, was the unusual entry of "One Zulu."

The Dollar Steamship liner *President Cleveland* left here yesterday for Manila, and carried away thirty passengers with her from Hong Kong.

The Messageries Maritimes str. *D'Artagnan*, which came into port yesterday from Marseilles and Saigon brought 113 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong and carried 4,500 tons for ports beyond. She also had 132 cases of ammunition for Shanghai.

GIPSY WEDDING CUSTOM.

When an aged Gipsy woman recently applied for a pension at Fareham she was asked in what church she was married. She replied that she was married according to gipsy custom, she and her husband having jumped over a broomstick. Her application was granted.

THE MAILS.

HOME MAILS AND PARCELS ARRIVE BY S.S. "MOREA."

"MALWA" BRINGS EUROPE AND U.K. MAILS.

The s.s. *Morea*, which came into port yesterday morning, brought the Home mail and parcels *vid* Suez. The vessel carried a total of 298 bags of mails, of which 131 bags were for Hong Kong, 86 bags being from the United Kingdom. She also brought 162 bags of parcels for Hong Kong, and carried 81 bags of mail for ports beyond Hong Kong.

The s.s. *Malwa* also brought the mails from Europe *vid* Siberia.

THREE MAIL LINERS ARRIVE.

HEAVY PASSENGER LISTS FOR HONG KONG AND PORTS.

Three mail liners arrived here yesterday. They were the two P. & O. steamers *Morea* and *Malwa*, and the Messageries Maritimes liner *d'Artagnan*.

The *Morea* arriving from London and bound for Yokohama carried about 150 first and second class passengers, of whom, about 50 were disembarked here.

The s.s. *Malwa*, which came into port from Yokohama on her homeward voyage to London had about 70 passengers of whom about 20 left the ship here.

The Messageries Maritimes liner *D'Artagnan*, from Marseilles, on her voyage to China and Japan, came into port yesterday with about 200 passengers. Of these passengers about 40 disembarked here.

N.Y.K. LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

FREIGHTERS TO CALL AT HONG KONG.

Commencing with the s.s. *Tajima Maru*, which will be here early in February, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Freight Service between China, Liverpool and other ports in Europe, will be resumed.

It will be recalled that this Service was suspended owing to the traffic interruption in Canton, but as conditions are improving, this enterprising company is once more putting their Liverpool liners on the run to Hong Kong.

The Service is a monthly one, and the ports of call in Europe are Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool and sometimes Glasgow.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Achilles (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 27th, 1927.
Canton (Swedish East Asiatic), due January 21st, 1927.
Empress of Russia (C.P.R.), due January 14th.
Ixion (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Machaon (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 16th, 1927.
Malwa (P. & O.), due this morning.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 3rd, 1927.
Nanking (Swedish East Asiatic), due January 31st.
Patroclus (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 2nd, 1927.
Perseus (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 20th, 1927.
Rhexenor (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 27th, 1927.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Jan. 7th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.83	29.91	29.89
Temperature	68	66	68
Humidity ...	87	90	85
Wind—			
Direction	Calm	Calm	East
Force ...	0	0	4
Weather ...	OM	OF	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 6th: 68
Lowest open-air Temperature, 7th: 65

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 8th to 14th, 1927.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water: Hong Kong Standard Time.	High Water: Height.	Low Water: Hong Kong Standard Time.	Low Water: Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Sat.	8	1 58 a	4 5	m 7 7	0 6
				5 49 a	3 5
Sun.	9	m 0 34	7 1	m 7 59	1 2
		2 55 a	4 7	7 5 a	3 7
Mon.	10	m 1 46	6 4	m 8 53	1 8
		3 51 a	5 0	8 44 a	3 7
Tues.	11	m 3 14	5 6	m 9 48	2 2
		4 44 a	5 4	10 44 a	3 4
Wed.	12	m 4 46	5 0	m10 42	2 7
		5 33 a	5 8		
Thur.	13	m 6 12	4 7	m 0 16	2 8
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m.v. "CANTON" ... ... 28th February, 1927

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m.v. "CANTON" ... ... Loading about 25th January, 1927
m.s. "NANKING" ... ... 31st January, 1927

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"DEVANHA"	8,155	28th Jan.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MOREA"	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	18th Feb.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KALYAN"	9,144	19th Feb.	Mar'les., L'don., Antwerp & Hull.
"NELLORE"	6,552	2nd March	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th March	Mar'les., L'don., Anwerp & R'dam.
"NYANZA"	7,623	16th March	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Mar'les., L'don, Antwerp & R'dam.
"KARMALA"	9,128	15th April	Mar'les., London, & Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th April	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"KHIVA"	9,188	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Piraeus, Smyrna, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

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"TAKADA"	6,949	22nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,000	1st Feb.	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,500	7th Feb.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	12th Feb.	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	4th Mar.	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st July	

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The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"TILAWA"	10,000	14th Jan.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"TALAMBA"	8,500	15th Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	19th Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	21st Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NAGPORE"	5,283	6th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,959	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,623	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,128	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
*Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.
All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
Steamers on London and Australian Lines are fitted with Laundries.
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Australia & Manila	*Taipang*	8th Jan.
Shanghai	*Shantung*	8th Jan.
Shanghai	*Linan*	9th Jan.
Manila	*Pres. Grant* ...	10th Jan.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia ..	*Tirpitz*	10th Jan.
Straits	*Fooksang*	13th Jan.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai...	*Emp. of Russia* ...	14th Jan.
Shanghai	*Angers*	18th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date	
		Saturday,	8th,
Shanghai	*Katoe*		9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 4th Feb., 1927	*Malwa*	Reg. Letters	9.45 A.M. 10.30 A.M.
Straits	*Djemnsook* ...		1.00 P.M.
Haiphong	*Tonkin* ...		2.30 P.M.
Shanghai	*Luchow* ...		2.30 P.M.
Saigon	*Prosper* ...		3.30 P.M.
		Sunday,	9th,
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Antje Maru* ...		8.30 A.M.
Swatow	*Manchoria* ...		9.00 A.M.
Amoy	*Anhui*		9.00 A.M.
*Swatow, *Amoy and Formosa	*Menado Maru* ...		9.00 A.M.
		Monday,	10th,
Swatow & Bangkok	*Kaying*		8.30 A.M.
Manila	*City of Spokane*		10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	*Loksun*		12.30 P.M.
Straits	*Tuensang* ...		1.30 P.M.
Manila & parcels for Germany via Hamburg	*Tirpitz*		3.30 P.M.
Amoy	*Anhsiang* ...		5.00 P.M.
		Tuesday,	11th, Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Ching* ...		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—one Victoria, B.C., 30th Jan., & EUROPE via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only) ...	*Pres. Grant* ...	Parcels Reg. Letters	Noon 2.45 P.M. 3.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th Feb., 1927	*Aeneas*	Reg. Letters	1.45 P.M. 2.30 P.M.
Wei Hai Wei	*Kuechow*		2.30 P.M.
Swatow	*Kwong Sang* ...		5.00 P.M.
		Wednesday,	12th,
Sandakan	*Hinsang*		12.30 P.M.
Bangkok	*Chinhua*		5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Kotsu Maru* ...		5.00 P.M.
		Thursday,	13th,
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Tean*		10.30 A.M.
Saigon	*Changchow* ...		10.30 A.M.
Java via Batavia	*Tjisaroea*		11.30 A.M.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 20th Jan.	*Taiping*	Parcels Reg. Letters	5.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M.
		Friday,	14th, Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Hong* ...		5.00 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Mingsang* ...		5.00 P.M.
Japan	*Foon Sang* ...		5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Sinkiang* ...		5.00 P.M.
		Saturday,	15th,
Manila	*Emp. of Russia* ...		3.30 P.M.
Swatow	*Hopsang*		5.00 P.M.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

LONDON SERVICE.

"AENEAS"	11th Jan.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Glasgow.
"AGAPENOR"	25th Jan.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Hamburg.
"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Glasgow.
"DEMODOCUS"	22nd Feb.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"DOLIUS"	20th Jan.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"DEUCALION"	20th Feb.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"MEDON"	20th Mar.	Genoa, Havre & Liverpool.
"PHILOCTETES"	23rd Mar.	Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

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"TYNDAREUS"	29th Jan.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"PROTESILAUS"	26th Feb.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE.

"OANFA"	14th Jan.	New York, Boston & Baltimore.
"CYCLOPS"	28th Jan.	New York, Boston & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"AENEAS"	11th Jan.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
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Telegraphic Transfer	1/11⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 7/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11⅛
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/0 7/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/0 9/16
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand ...	1,155
Credits, 4 months' sight ...	1,145
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand ...	47⅛
Credits, at 60 days' sight...	48¼
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Tranfer ...	130
Bank Bills, on demand...	
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer ...	130
Bank Bills, on demand...	
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight ...	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight...	
On Yokohama.—On demand...	96½
On Manila.—On demand ...	99½
On Singapore.—On demand...	84½
On Batavia.—On demand ...	115
On Haiphong.—On demand ...	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand ...	nom.
On Bangkok.—On demand ...	95½
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	$10
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael...	—
Bar Silver, per oz.	25

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Foochow	Manila	Tientsin
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Hankow	New York	Yokohama
Harbin		

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Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [25

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [2

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Reserve Fund 1,200,000

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Honolulu		

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Kan Tong Po,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd May, 1926.

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Reserve Fund ..... Frs. 59,667,283.54

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
A. LECOT,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1924. [32

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Changchun	Los Angeles	Shanghai
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	Nagoya	Sydney
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Hankow	Peking	Tsingtau
Harbin	Rio de Janeiro	
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rates to be obtained on application.
H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th Dec., 1926. [35

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(Incorporated in France).

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Head Office:
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Capital .....Frs. 20,000,000
Reserves .....Frs. 11,160,000
Special Working Capital .....Frs. 50,000,000

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A. ROLLIN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1925.

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ...Yen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ....Yen 39,375,000

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T. TAKAGI,
Manager,
Hong Kong Branch.
8, Des Vœux Road, Central
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1926. [27

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TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.
Hong Kong, January 16th, 1926. [38

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Authorized Capital	Guilders	150,000,000 (£12,500,000)
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Reserve Fund	„	21,117,340 (£1,759,778)
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Authorised Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,800,000
Paid-up Capital £1,050,000
Reserve Fund £1,350,000

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 19	July 22	July 31
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ANGERS ...B	—	—	19th Jan., 1927
D'ARTAGNAN ...A	3rd Dec., 1926	5th Jan., 1927	1st Feb., "
SPHINX ...A	17th Dec., "	19th Jan., "	15th Feb., "
ANGKOR ...B	31st Dec., "	2nd Feb., "	1st Mar., "
PORTHOS ...A	14th Jan., 1927	16th Feb., "	15th Mar., "
PAUL LECAT ..A	28th Jan., "	2nd Mar., "	29th Mar., "

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*KOREA MARU	Sunday,	6th Feb., at Noon
SHINYO MARU	Tuesday,	22nd Feb., at Noon
*SIBERIA MARU	Sunday,	6th March, at Noon

* Calls Los Angeles.

SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

RAKUYO MARU	Saturday,	15th Jan., at Noon
GINYO MARU	Middle of	February, 1927.

MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Ports.

SUWA MARU	Saturday,	15th Jan., at 11 a.m.
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday,	29th Jan., at 11 a.m.
HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday,	12th Feb., at 11 a.m.

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RANGOON MARU	Saturday,	22nd Jan.

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PENANG MARU	Wednesday,	19th Jan.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU	Saturday,	21st Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HAKUSAN MARU	Monday,	10th Jan.
SWEDEN MARU	Monday,	10th Jan.
AKITA MARU	Thursday,	12th Jan.
KITANO MARU	Tuesday,	25th Jan.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Shipping Notes, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S STATEMENTS.

LOCAL AND THROUGH FREIGHTS DECREASE.

FOUR STEAMERS ARRIVE IN BALLAST.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were 16 vessels which came into port, of which, 11 were British. Freights discharged here and carried for ports beyond Hong Kong showed a decrease, particularly freights for Hong Kong, which have fallen by almost 200 per cent.

Imports of general merchandise into the Colony amounted to 5,798 tons, of which, 5,425 tons were carried by 8 British steamers. The best returns were shown by two British vessels. The s.s. *Pheumpenh* arriving from Saigon and Tourane unloaded 1,700 tons and the *City of Winnipeg*, from Sydney and Shanghai also discharged 1,035 tons.

Through freights were manifested on 7 steamers, and although amounting to a five figure total were still below the average. The total tonnage carried was 14,508 tons, of which, 8,423 tons were registered by 5 British steamers.

The best returns were on the Italian vessel *Romolo*, from Trieste and Singapore, which carried 5,800 tons and the s.s. *Demodocus* (British) arriving from London and Singapore had 4,027 tons.

During the same period there were 16 arrivals and 17 departures. Their nationalities were:—British, 11 arrivals and 9 departures; Japanese, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Chinese, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Dutch, 1 departure; French, 1 departure and Italian, 1 arrival.

Vessels in port during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday totalled 66, of which, 30 were British.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entered into Hong Kong during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 882.

Under the heading of Asiatic deck passengers on the report made to the Harbour Office by the master of the s.s. *Devanha*, was the unusual entry of "One Zulu."

The Dollar Steamship liner *President Cleveland* left here yesterday for Manila, and carried away thirty passengers with her from Hong Kong.

The Messageries Maritimes str. *D'Artagnan*, which came into port yesterday from Marseilles and Saigon brought 113 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong and carried 4,500 tons for ports beyond. She also had 132 cases of ammunition for Shanghai.

GIPSY WEDDING CUSTOM.

When an aged Gipsy woman recently applied for a pension at Fareham she was asked in what church she was married. She replied that she was married according to gipsy custom, she and her husband having jumped over a broomstick. Her application was granted.

THE MAILS.

HOME MAILS AND PAROELS ARRIVE BY S.S. "MOREA."

"MALWA" BRINGS EUROPE AND U.K. MAILS.

The s.s. *Morea*, which came into port yesterday morning, brought the Home mail and parcels *viâ* Suez. The vessel carried a total of 298 bags of mails, of which 131 bags were for Hong Kong, 86 bags being from the United Kingdom. She also brought 162 bags of parcels for Hong Kong, and carried 81 bags of mail for ports beyond Hong Kong.

The s.s. *Malwa* also brought the mails from Europe *viâ* Siberia.

THREE MAIL LINERS ARRIVE.

HEAVY PASSENGER LISTS FOR HONG KONG AND PORTS.

Three mail liners arrived here yesterday. They were the two P. & O. steamers *Morea* and *Malwa*, and the Messageries Maritimes liner *d'Artagnan*.

The *Morea* arriving from London and bound for Yokohama carried about 150 first and second class passengers, of whom, about 50 were disembarked here.

The s.s. *Malwa*, which came into port from Yokohama on her homeward voyage to London had about 70 passengers of whom about 20 left the ship here.

The Messageries Maritimes liner *D'Artagnán*, from Marseilles, on her voyage to China and Japan, came into port yesterday with about 200 passengers. Of these passengers about 40 disembarked here.

N.Y.K. LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

FREIGHTERS TO CALL AT HONG KONG.

Commencing with the s.s. *Tajima Maru*, which will be here early in February, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Freight Service between China, Liverpool and other ports in Europe, will be resumed.

It will be recalled that this Service was suspended owing to the traffic interruption in Canton, but as conditions are improving, this enterprising company is once more putting their Liverpool liners on the run to Hong Kong.

The Service is a monthly one, and the ports of call in Europe are Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool and sometimes Glasgow.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Achilles (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 27th, 1927.
Canton (Swedish East Asiatic), due January 21st, 1927.
Empress of Russia (C.P.R.), due January 14th.
Ixion (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Machaon (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 16th, 1927.
Malwa (P. & O.), due this morning.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 3rd, 1927.
Nanking (Swedish East Asiatic), due January 31st.
Patroclus (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 2nd, 1927.
Perseus (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 20th, 1927.
Rhexenor (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 27th, 1927.

HONG KONG METEOROLIGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Jan. 7th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.88	29.91	29.89
Temperature	66	66	68
Humidity ...	87	90	85
Wind—			
Direction	Calm	Calm	East
Force ...	0	0	4
Weather ...	OM	OF	O
Rain ...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 6th: 68
Lowest open-air Temperature, 7th: 65

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 8th to 14th, 1927.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water: Hong Kong Standard Time.	High Water: Height.	Low Water: Hong Kong Standard Time.	Low Water: Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Sat.	8	1 58 a	4 5	m 7 7	0 8
				5 49 a	3 5
Sun.	9	m 0 34	7 1	m 7 59	1 2
		2 55 a	4 7	7 5 a	3 7
Mon.	10	m 1 46	6 4	m 8 53	1 8
		3 51 a	5 0	8 44 a	3 7
Tues.	11	m 3 14	5 6	m 9 48	2 2
		4 44 a	5 4	10 44 a	2 4
Wed.	12	m 4 46	5 0	m 10 42	2 7
		5 33 a	5 8		
Thur.	13	m 6 12	4 7	m 0 16	2 8
		6 16 a	6 3	m 11 31	3 0
Fri.	14	m 7 29	4 5	m 1 24	2 1
		6 55 a	6 8	0 14 a	3 2

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m.v. "CANTON"	28th February, 1927

FOR SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

m.v. "CANTON"	Loading about 25th January, 1927
m.s. "NANKING"	31st January, 1927

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"MALWA"	10,941	8th Jan., Noon	Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	22nd Jan.	Mar'les., London, Antwerp & Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	28th Jan.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MOREA"	10,915	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	15th Feb.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KALYAN"	9,144	19th Feb.	Mar'les., L'don., Antwerp & Hull.
"NELLORE"	6,852	2nd March	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th March	Mar'les., L'don., Anwerp & R'dam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	16th March	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Mar'les., L'don, Antwerp & R'dam.
"KARMALA"	9,128	16th April	Mar'les., London, & Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th April	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"KHIVA"	9,133	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.

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"TAKADA"	6,949	22nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,000	1st Feb.	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,500	7th Feb.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	12th Feb.	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	4th Mar.	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st July	

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The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"TILAWA"	10,000	14th Jan.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"TALAMBA"	8,500	15th Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	19th Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	21st Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NAGPORE"	5,283	6th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,959	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,154	13th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,128	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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